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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The capital is agog over the sudden selection of Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, to report the Hepburn railway rate bill and lead the fight for its passage; however, it is said there is no chance for the bill unless it is so amended as to give the railroads the right to appeal from rulings of the Inter-State Commerce Commission; over thirty Republican Senators will stand out for that amendment——On Friday at Pontedera, Italy, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., was kicked and cuffed by a mob because he drew a pistol to defend his chaffeur who had run his automobile over a boy——C. P. Goodyear, a prominent citizen of Brunswick, Ga., testified at the Greene and Gaynor trial at Savannah yesterday that Captain Carter and John F. Gaynor tried to rope him into a $2,718,000 harbor scheme which would have given them a profit of $750,000 to be divided between them——At Shreveport, La., yesterday Charles Coleman, the negro who assaulted and murdered a school girl, was convicted in three minutes and sentenced to be hanged next Tuesday; the Governor was present and signed the death warrant immediately——In the destruction of college building by fire at Gambier, O., yesterday three lives were lost and many terribly injured——Mrs. Dupree, who recently had her throat cut near Atlanta by a nego, as she claimed, has confessed that she committed the deed herself——John Cross Hamilton who murdered his wife and hid her in a trunk at Albany, N. Y., has surrendered and confessed the crime——Miss Elizabeth Robertson, of Columbia, S. C., was killed at Henderso N. C., yesterday by a stone whic from a gate post——At Jackson, yesterday the grand jury returne dictments against Judge Hargis four others for the murder of J. Marcum——In New York yestere Josephine Terranova confessed to murder of her uncle and the woun ing to his wife——Johann Hoch's bo was buried in potter's field near Chi ago yesterday, the cemetery authori ties refusing to permit its burial be cause the interment of the anarchists who were hanged some years ago in one of the cemeteries brought unpleasant notoriety——Near Shreveport yesterday a mob of 500 men shot and burned the negro who attempted assault on a young school girl on Friday——New York markets: Money on call nominal, no loans, time loans steady, spot cotton quiet 10.80; flour dull and unchanged; wheat steady, No. 2 red, 86 1-2 elevator; corn firm, No. 2, 48 oats steady, mixed 34 1-2; turpentine steady 71 1-2 to 72; rosin steady, strained common to good 4.20 to 4.25.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.
Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 24, 1906.

Meterological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., Saturday, Feb. 24th.

Temperature at 8 A. M., 41 degrees; 8 P. M., 51 degrees; Maximum, 62 degrees; Minimum, 38 degrees; Mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of month to date, 2.81.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Friday, 10.2 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair Sunday, colder in western portion. Monday fair colder, fresh west winds, shifting to northwest.

PORT ALMANAC—Feb. 25.

Sun Sises ..... 6:39 A. M.
Sun Sets ..... 5:49 P. M.
Day's Length ..... 11 hrs. 10 min.
High Water at Southport .. 9:58 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington . 12:28 A. M.

There is talk hereabouts that the Republicans will put out a ticket. This must be a movement in the direction of the Carnegie hero fund.

Yesterday was the day set for the anti-foreign uprising in China. If it started there will probably a smashing of China by the powers.

Senator Tillman in charge of the Administration's railway rate bill in the Senate! It's enough to make President Roosevelt go over to the Knox bill.

It will be exceedingly trying to Congressman Blackburn to be tried by District Attorney Holton. Republicans in North Carolina have many trials and few triumphs.

Cablegrams say that lava from Mount Vesuvius threatens the funicular railways which run up the slopes of the volcano. It is strange how volcanoes try to get in the limelight with President Roosevelt.

"Men shake your hand if you win—and shake you if you lose," says a paragrapher. That is true and is another way of saying like the poet long ago who wrote: "What is friendship but a name, a charm that lulls to sleep," etc.

Says the Charlotte News: "The suggestion has been made that negro labor from the South be used by Uncle Sam in the building of the Isthmian Canal." Right at present the negro is too busy in the wood pile to think of wetting his feet in the canal.

It is said that the Knox bill "spells the surrender of Roosevelt" to Senator Knox's idea of regulating railroad rates with the right of appeal from the rulings of the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Tillman always did fear those Greeks when they smile and have things to give away.

Bluebeard Hock, who was hanged in Chicago on Friday, declared his innocence of murdering one of the bunch of wives which it alleged that he accumulated during his wild and reckless career. If Hock had declared that the court didn't prove it on him we could concur in his opinion. If a man were ever hanged by the newspapers it was the multi-bigamist. He was hung on general principles.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Slight damage to the lettuce crop by frost is reported Friday night. Shipments will be commenced in quantities by about the tenth of March.

—Spirits turpentine reached the high water mark on the local market yesterday. However, there were receipts of not a single cask at Wilmington during the day.

—Fire alarm box No. 43 is being transferred by Supt Yates from the southeast corner of Front and Orange to the northeast corner of the same street, near the Howard Relief building.

—Mr. H. L. Durant, minister in charge of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, will address the men's meeting at the Boys' Brigade armory this afternoon. Miss Carrie White will sing a solo.

—A bazaar will be held in Hibernian Hall Tuesday for the benefit of St. Thomas' Catholic church. Children will be entertained from 3 to 6 P. M. From 6 to 10 P. M., supper will be served.

—The derailment of a log car at a siding of the Hilton Lumber Co., between Teachey's and Wallace, delayed the incoming A. C. L. passenger train from the north for more than an hour yesterday.

—The funeral of the late J. P. O'Sullivan will be conducted by Rev. Father Dennen, of the Catholic church, at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The funeral will be from the late residence, No. 105 Meares street.

—Rev. C. W. Kegley will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Grace Church Sunday School Orchestra will contribute to the musical numbers. At the boy's meeting in the morning, Master Harry Solomon will render a violin solo.

—Miss Bessie Gore announces to her patrons and friends that her dancing classes will meet after March 1st. in old Odd-Fellows building next door to Hibernian Hall, her present location. Evening classes meet Mondays at 8:30 P. M.; afternoon classes Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week at 4 o'clock. Saturday night socials at 9 o'clock.

DR. CULBRETH'S ELECTION.

"Home Paper" Speaks Highly of Prominent Wilmington Dentist.

In noting the recent election of Dr. N. M. Culbreth as Dental Surgeon of the James Walker Memorial Hospital in this city, for which position he was recommended by the New Hanover Medical Society, the Trucker, published at Chadbourn, N. C., says:

"This is indeed a compliment to Dr. Culbreth and shows the confidence reposed in him by the New Hanover Medical Society and the Board of Managers of the Hospital. Knowing Dr. Culbreth as we do, we feel sure no mistake has been made in selecting him for this important place. He is regarded by all who know him as being one of the very best dentists in the State. This writer saw a few days since Mr. William Huggins, of this county, for whom Dr. Culbreth performed an operation last October removing a portion of the superior maxillary bone. This operation was necessary because of the extensive necrosed condition of this bone and had it not been performed this disease would have proved fatal. Mr. Huggins has nearly entirely recovered from the effect of the operation and is now enjoying good health. Dr. Culbreth's friends in this county are proud to hear of his success and wish him many years of continued prosperity."

FURNITURE FACTORY NEEDED.

The Largest Amount of Manufactured Goods Used Here.

We often wonder as to the quantity of furniture used. The Wilmington Furniture Company (successors to W. T. Mercer & Co.) have just unloaded another 50-foot car of furniture direct from the manufacturers, and have another now in transit which will make eight cars received by this one firm within the last three and one-half months, an average of nearly three cars per month handled by one concern. There are five or six concerns here handling furniture and we would suppose that the other five or six have handled as much together as the Wilmington Furniture Co., which would make a total of sixteen car loads in three and a half months or more than a car per week. From the above figures it really looks like a furniture factory would pay in Wilmington. **

Tot Found on Street.

The little four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fettel, 307 North Sixth street, wandered away from home yesterday morning about 6 o'clock and was found wandering in an aimless sort of way about an hour later by Mrs. Georgia Pritchard, near her home at Third and Orange streets. The child told Mrs. Pritchard she would go home if some one would go with her and Mrs. Pritchard tried to identify the tot in that way, but it was soon evident that the little girl was lost. The child was turned over to Officer A. D. Smith, at Front and Dock streets, and while Mr. Smith was on the way to the City Hall with the tot, he found Mr. C. W. Hollowbush, who lives in the same residence with Mr. and Mrs. Fettel, and who was in search of the runaway. The four-year-old was returned to her overjoyed mother.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

R. A. Culpepper—Notice.
John J. Fowler—Notice.
Crow & Taylor—Groceries.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Specials.
H. L. Vollers—Harris Lithia.
Hardin's Pharmacy—Herpicide.
C. R., L. & P. Co.—Gas Stoves.
J. H. Rehder & Co.—Mattings.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Department Store.
Interstate Machinery & Supply Co.—Your Money.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

E. S. W.—Fox For Sale.
B. L. B.—Room Wanted.
St. Thomas' Church—Bazaar.
Miss Gore—Dancing Classes.
Carl Muegge—Rooms for Rent.
Only Restaurant—Warm Baths.
Geo. G. Clows—Travellers Wanted.
Wright Supply Co.—Agents Wanted.
Bonitz House—Dining Room Closed.
Wilmington Pressing Club—Too Busy.
Star Office—Reliable Colored Boy Wanted.

LaGrecque Demonstration lasts but a few days longer at Platt & Haar's. **

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BETTER SIDEWALKS

Estimated That More Than Thirty Blocks of Granolithic Have Been Laid Recently

CONTRACTORS STILL BUSY

Civic Improvement Idea Growing—Much Work Now in Progress—Unfortunately Little of This is in Business District.

The civic improvement idea just now has a faster hold upon the public mind, perhaps, than ever before. Wilmington residents and property owners have higher ideals in this respect than for a long time and the effect of it is seen in the application of the paint brush, the laying out of lawns, the planting of trees and shrubbery and general improvements in many other respects. It is one of the signs of the prosperous times and an outward manifestation of the truth of the proverb that "Nothing succeeds like success."

But it is the purpose to speak here of the recent very decided improvements that have been made in the matter of the laying of granolithic pavements by property owners. Fortunately or unfortunately, as the idea may be as to which sections of the city should first be beautified, practically all the improvement in this regard has been made in the up-town or residence portion. It is estimated that twenty or thirty blocks of these modern walks have been laid within the past 60 days and it is gratifying to know that all responsible contractors for this class of work already have orders sufficient to keep them busy for several weeks to come. In addition to the new sidewalks many have been repaired and the outlook for still greater things is bright.

An effort was made yesterday to get a list of all the sidewalk improvements within the past 60 days. A partial list only was obtainable from the contractors. Mr. W. E. Glenn reports the following:

Mrs. Elizabeth Sweeney, 66 feet in in front of residence, No. 416 North Third street.

T. S. Toler, 45 feet in front of residence, No. 310 Red Cross street.

Mrs. Lucy M. Horne, 45 feet in front of residence, No. 312 Red Cross street.

C. L. Dickinson, 66 feet in front of residences No. 216 and 218 North Second street.

R. A. Brand, 66 feet in front of residence, on Chesnut, between Third and Fourth streets.

James D. Mote, 45 feet in front of residence, No. 902 North Fourth street.

T. B. Carroll, 33 feet in front of office on Second, between Princess and Chesnut streets.

City Livery Company, 90 feet in front of stables on Second, between Princess and Chesnut streets.

Mrs. S. W. Smith, 99 feet around residence property at southeast corner of Second and Chesnut streets.

W. J. Moore, front of Queen City Cyle Co., on Market street.

R. P. McClammy, front of Dispatch building, on Market street.

Dr. W. C. Galloway, front of residence on North Third street.

J. B. Hand, front of property on Third, between Princess and Chesnut.

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co., on north side of Red Cross, leading from Front.

H. M. Emerson, front of residence, on Red Cross, between Front and Second.

T. E. Sprunt, front of residence on Red Cross, between Front and Second.

Mrs. Lossie Myers, front of residence, 303 Chesnut street.

Roger Moore, front of residence property, Grace, between Third and Fourth.

B. W. Newkirk, front of residence, on Second between Grace and Walnut.

E. L. Holloway, at residence, Fifteenth and Market streets.

C. C. Chadbourn, front of residence, Sixth between Nun and Church.

Hugh MacRae, 800 yards around residence and driveway in yards on Market, extending back to Princess street.

D. L. Gore, in front of Allen building, on Princess street, between Front and Water.

James F. Woolvin, residence at Fifth and Chesnut streets.

E. L. Davis, residence property on Second, between Grace and Walnut streets.

Mrs. T. F. Wood, residence property at corner of Second and Chesnut streets.

Henry Angel, residence property at 209 Chesnut street.

George S. LeGrand, residence on Chesnut, between Second and Third.

J. C. Springer, residence on Third and Chesnut streets.

Capt. E. G. Parmele, of the Cape Fear Paving & Construction Co., reports the following:

Col. A. M. Waddill, 66 feet in front of residence, on Fifth, between Market and Princess.

Miss Mary Alderman, 66 feet on Fifth, between Market and Princess.

E. G. Parmele, 66 feet on Princess, between Fourth and Fifth.

Front Street Market, 85 feet in front of market house.

Wilmington Steam Laundry, 85 feet on Front and Orange streets.

H. L. Fentress, 65 feet on Fourth street.

W. M. Cumming, 35 feet in front of store of Rice & Spencer, North Fourth street bridge.

Jesse Wilder, 66 feet, east side of Fourth in front of residence.

J. E. Wilkinson, 66 feet, east side of Fourth, in front of residence.

S. W. Sanders, 21 feet in front of store, North Fourth street.

Nathan J. Williams, 33 feet, front of residence, North Fourth street.

Hibernian Benevolent Society, 33 feet on west side of Third in front of hall.

In addition to the above, the Cape Fear Paving & Construction Co., also has contracts for over 300 additional feet in various parts of the city.

Still in addition several colored contractors have completed pavements on North Fourth street, and nearly the entire block in front of residences of Messrs. J. F. Garrell, Stephen Jewett, S. W. Sanders, the O'Connor property and others on North Third street and at the northwest corner of Third and Walnut streets; also in front of Mallet property at southwest corner of Third and Walnut streets and in front of residence property of N. Jacobi, H. F. Wilder, Wash McNeill and others on Walnut, between Second and Third streets.

It is to be hoped the city authorities will not find it necessary to invoke the law in order to get other property owners, and especialy those down town, to make the much-needed improvement, following the lead of those above given.

KILLED ON RAILROAD YARDS

Colored Youth, Struck by Shifting Engine, Died Soon After Accident in the Hospital Yesterday.

William Wright, a colored youth, 16 years old, was run over on the Coast Line yards, near Fourth street bridge, yesterday morning about 10 o'clock and died about an hour later at the James Walker Memorial Hospital as the result of his injuries.

Ida Wright, mother of the boy, works as a car cleaner in the Atlantic Coast Line Shops, and the youth went there yesterday morning evidently to carry her breakfast or upon some like errand. As he left the shops, he played about the yards for a while until the A. & Y. passenger train started out of the shed. This he boarded and rode as far as the bridge. As he went to leap from the coach, the presumption is that he jumped immediately in front of a shifting engine that was coming in an opposite direction on an adjoining track. A yard clerk, very soon after the shifting engine passed, saw the mangled body on the track. After a hasty examination, finding the body unconscious, Dr. J. C. Wessell, of the Railroad Relief Department was summoned. Dr. Wessell immediately 'phoned for the hospital ambulance, but the patient died in a short time after reaching there. The boy's right hand was cut off near the wrist and he was also injured internally.

Ida Wright, the widowed mother of the dead boy, and the boy's grandmother, both of whom work in cars in the yard knew of the accident in a short time. Both became hysterical and were sent to their homes.

BROWN'S CARRIAGE SHOPS.

Removal of Business to Hayden Building, on Third Street.

Mr. J. O. Brown, the well known carriage builder and repairer, will tomorrow begin removing his shop from northeast corner of Second and Princess streets to the Hayden Carriage Shops, on Third street, which Mr. Brown has leased for a term of five years with the privilege of a longer period if he so desires. Mr. Brown recently re-sold the property which he now occupies to Mr. John F. Garrell, who will erect on the premises a handsome block of stores, and the removal to the better location was made necessary by that transfer.

Mr. Brown takes over the purchase the long established carriage shop interests of Hayden & Culpepper, and will considerably enlarge and improve the business, making it second to no establishment of its kind in the State. Mr. Brown will visit several woodworking factories to get ideas about the best to buy in a band saw and buzz planer, which will be installed as soon as possible. Mr. Brown will then be in a better position than ever to serve his patrons promptly and well. Mr. R. A. Culpepper will remain with Mr. Brown for the present.

Mr. Brown's lease of the building from Mrs. Hayden is at $600 per year and includes all the shops except the northern portion of the first floor now occupied as a harness store and that portion of the second floor used for dwelling purposes. The lease calls for the repair of the premises and their keep in present condition as far as possible.

NOT LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.

But Trouble Troubled Negro Youth Who Indicted Another.

Dancy Lewis is a precocious colored youth, hardly 14 years old, and works in the office of Lightner & Wilkins, architects, in the Southern Building. Yesterday he had trouble with the elevator boy in the building, who complained Dancy was amusing himself too freely in riding up and down in the elevator. Words followed between the boys and on the fifth floor of the building, Isaac Dudley, the janitor, took a hand. The elevator was run down to the first floor and Dancy was given a boot lift to the street. The boy was very indignant and forthwith hurried to the office of Justice Bornemann and warranted the janitor for an assault.

The boy accompanied Deputy J. W. Smith around to The Southern to identify Dudley for arrest. On the way around, the eagle eye of Deputy Smith recognized in the boy the defendant wanted in a warrant sworn out some time ago by Raymond Nixon, colored, charging Dancy with the larceny of a bicycle and wilfully cutting the rubber tire of the wheel with a knife. The boy was also made a prisoner. The double case of the prosecutor-defendant and of Isaac Dudley will come up in the court of Justice Bornemann at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. When the boy applied to Justice Bornemann for a warrant for the janitor he thought the bicycle incident had blown over. He labored under the misapprehension that "Justice," being blind, was also asleep. Not so, Justice Bornemann!

With the Police Yesterday.

It was Saturday night but not an arrest was made by the police up to last midnight. During the afternoon, however, several were brought in. One of these was a white man from the country, who had imbibed too freely, crawled up in a stairway leading to Water street, near Market, and obstructed the passageway to apartments of several Syrian families on the second floor. Officer A. D. Smith came along and removed the obstructionist to the police station. Another matinee visitor was John Watson, who was arrested by officer E. J. Grimsley at Front Street market house for being drunk and disorderly. Watson was before the Mayor only a day or two ago for the same offence.

Recovered Lost Laundry.

The bag of clothes sent to the police station by a colored man, who found it one morning in his yard out Princess street, was identified and recovered yesterday by Mrs. L. A. Hewlett, Orange, between Seventh and Eighth streets, who read a notice of the find in the paper yesterday, and was sure it was the week's laundry from the household that she had trusted to an unknown colored woman some time ago and had never heard of them since. The property was restored to Mrs. Hewlett after identification.

To-day—cars to the Beach every half-hour in the afternoon. **

LAWYERS ARE COMING

Annual Meeting of North Corolina State Bar Association at Wrightsville Beach

THE LATTER PART OF JUNE

Official Announcement Received Yesterday From Chairman of Executive Committee—Distinguished Body of Men—Headquarters.

Thomas W. Davis, Esq., of this city, is advised by Mr. Ed. Chambers Smith, of Raleigh, chairman of the Executive Committee, that the North Carolina State Bar Association will hold its next annual meeting at the Seashore Hotel, Wrightsville Beach.

Official notification to this effect reached Mr. Davis in a letter from Mr. Smith on yesterday and the announcement was received here with pleasure, being the first of several big State gatherings which it is hoped to have at Wrightsville this Summer. The dates for the meeting are June 27th, 28th, and 29th, and while the coming of the lawyers for their annual outing is yet somewhat remote, there is already talk among members of the local bar, regarding some form of public entertainment that will no doubt be provided for the visitors upon this occasion.

The annual meeting of the Association last year was held at Toxaway. The organization will bring to Wrightsville between 200 and 300 visitors, all of more distinguished personel than usually grace a State gathering of like character. Reduced rates have already been secured from the railroads and also at the hotels for members of the Association and the gathering is being looked forward to with keen pleasure. Many of the lawyers will be accompanied by members of their families and friends, not a few of whom will prolong their seashore visit after the meeting is over.

Hon. Clement Manly, of Winston, is president of the Association and there are vice presidents from each of the seventeen Congressional districts. Mr. J. Crawford Biggs, of Durham, is secretary and treasurer of the organization and the executive committee is composed of C. W. Tillett, of Charlotte; Ed. Chambers Smith, of Raleigh; A. C. Avery, of Morganton; W. S. O'B. Robinson, of Goldsboro; Julius C. Martin, of Asheville, and T. T. Hicks, of Oxford.

The vice presidents in the order of districts from which they come are: S. C. Bragaw, Washington; Francis D. Winston, Windsor; F. G. James, Greenville; A. C. Zollicoffer, Henderson; S. W. Isler, Goldsboro; H. L. Godwin, Dunn; N. A. Sinclair, Fayetteville; R. H. Hayes, Pittsboro; Paul C. Graham, Durham; L. H. Clement, Mocksville; A. E. Holton, Winston; O. F. Mason, Dallas; Edmund Jones, Lenoir; S. V. Pickens, Hendersonville; Mark W. Brown, Asheville, and Kope Elias, Bryson City.

ON THE WATER FRONT.

Schooner in With Cargo—Cutter Sails—Maritime Notes.

The Revenue Cutter Seminole sailed at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon for another cruise along the coast. She will be absent from her station several days.

The schooner Annie C. Grace, 454 tons, Capt. Bailey, arrived from Baltimore last night with cargo of fertilizers for the S. A. L. warehouses. She will begin discharging on Monday morning.

The splendid new government suction dredge Delaware, at work on the Cape Fear river and bar at Southport, arrived up late yesterday afternoon and is at the A. C. L. chute for coal. She will also receive provisions while here.

Two of the steamers of the Cape Fear Fisheries Company, at Old Brunswick, have arrived from Northern points and will begin fishing for menhaden as soon as the factory is ready to start up. The steamers brought down cargoes of coal instead of coming light as heretofore.

PROPERTY OWNERS MUST PAY.

Notice Given That Execution Will Issue After March 10th.

City Clerk and Treasurer Fowler, according to law, gives notice that property holders heretofore assessed for street improvement and who have failed to pay such assessments are delinquent, the time for the same having expired, and that unless the amounts are paid on or before March 10th, 1906, execution will issue from the Clerk of the Superior Court against the property. The act by the last Legislature is mandatory. It is understood that the notice is especialy directed to certain property owners who have not paid their pro rata share of the cost of the North Fourth street vitrified brick pavement. Until a short time ago only about one-third of the amount assessed against the private parties had been paid and the city will now make an effort to close the matter up at once.

BUILDING PERMITS YESTERDAY.

Residence For L. H. Burnett—Five Dwellings For Rent.

The following permits were granted by Building Inspector H. E. Bonitz on yesterday:

L. H. Burnett, two-story, tin-roof, eight-room residence, to cost $2,500, at corner of Eighth and Orange streets; Rogers & Thomas contractors.

Robert Johnson, one-story dwelling, on Ninth and Marsteller streets.

Thomas H. Wright, five one-story, five-room dwelling houses to cost $650 each, on "Sunset Hill," between Cowan and Davis streets; R. L. Johnston, foreman of construction.

Funeral of Mrs. Mulford.

The funeral of the late Mrs. M. A. Mulford was conducted in the presence of a large number of friends from the residence, No. 610 North Fifth street, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church, officiating. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

LaGrecque Demonstration lasts but a few days longer at Platt & Haar's. **

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—J. B. Schulken, Esq., of Whiteville, was here yesterday.

—Mrs. J. P. Gibson is visiting friends and relatives in Newton, N. C.

—William J. Bellamy, Esq., returned last evening from Salisbury where he attended the State Council Jr. O. U. A. M. meeting, continuing his trip to several other cities in Piedmont North Carolina.

—Mr. Jim Perry, of Burgaw, a very successful lumber dealer was in town yesterday. He is of the opinion that Wilmington will soon be one of the largest export timber towns on the Atlantic Coast.

—Mr. R. W. Herring, of the law firm of Kenan & Herring, returned to the city yesterday afternoon. He has been in Burgaw for the past week examining titles for the Wallace Manufacturing Company.

—Alderman W. E. Yopp returned yesterday from the State Council Jr. O. U. A. M. sessions at Salisbury. He returned via High Point and visited some of the famous furniture and wood working manufactories of that enterprising little city.

—Mrs. Walter Gaylor and son, Mr. Kenneth Gaylor, left yesterday afternoon on the steamer Tar Heel for Point Caswell, N. C., whither they were summonded by a telegram yesterday morning announcing that Mr. Calvin McDuffie was in a dying condition.

—Mr. J. E. Bloodworth has disposed of his saloon interests on South Front street, and will leave with his family this morning for Lakeland, Fla., where they will make their home in the future. Their many friends hope they will do well and be contented in their new home.

—Mr. L. J. Merriman and his guests Messrs. E. L. Merriman, A. G. Thompson and Taylor Lacy, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, accompanied, by Messrs. B. G. Empie and Geo. H. Howell, of this city, returned last night from a day's quail hunt around Kerr's station, on the A. & Y. railroad. The party bagged 101 birds and the string brought back by them excited the envy of all who saw the hunters upon their return.

MR. A. F. LAND INJURED.

Insurance Company Notified of Railway Accident in Los Angeles.

Through the insurance agency of Messrs. Dickinson & Davis, of this city, with whom he carried an accident insurance policy, friends in Wilmington learned yesterday of a serious accident that befel Mr. Albert F. Land a few days ago in Los Angeles, California. A telegram was received by the insurance firm, stating that Mr. Land had been run over by a train, but no particulars were given. The message was signed by R. F. Webb, presumably a friend of Mr. Land or some one who became interested in him after the accident. The telegram was received late Friday night and another was promised later, giving particulars, but nothing has thus far been received. The Maryland Casualty Company, of Baltimore, with whom the policy was written, have taken the matter up with their Western agents. Mr. Land until a few months ago conducted Land's Typewriter Exchange here and was a prominent member of Carolina Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles. He has many friends who trust that particulars of the accident will show his injuries not so serious as is now supposed.

GOING FAYETTEVILLE WAY.

Upper Cape Fear Also Has Railroad Developments.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer has the following:

"Yesterday an engineering corps, consisting of eleven men, of which Mr. William Moncure is the head, were surveying a preliminary line in the outskirts of Fayetteville, running into the city at the plant of the Southern Cotton Oil Company in Campbellton. They are very reticent as to what company they are working for; but their coming, taken in connection with the recent trip of Hon. J. G. Shaw southeast of town, to secure rights-of-way, is taken to mean a reaching out to this point by the Raleigh and Charleston R. R. The surveying camp is at present situated below here, on Rockfish."

Pythianz in Fayetteville.

The Fayetteville Observer of yesterday contains a long account of the big fourth district meeting of Knights of Pythias in that city on Friday night. The address of welcome was by the Chancellor C. G. Rose, of Cumberland Lodge and the response was by Grand Vice Chancellor W. W. Wilson. The Fayetteville, Smithfield, Red Springs, Rowland and Lumberton lodges were represented by good delegations, who brought encouraging reports. Among the out-town guests present were A. S. Barnard, Grand Chancellor; W. W. Wilson, Grand V. C.; J. D. Nutt, State Deputy; C. C. McLean, District Deputy of the 12th district; N. M. Lawrence, Jr., District Deputy of the Fourth District. A banquet followed the lodge exercises, Mr. N. B. Alexander presiding as toastmaster.

Unusual Agreement Filed.

Something rather unusual in the way of a contract was filed for record yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds at the Court House. It is a written agreement in which Mrs. Mary E. Irving and her husband, George Irving, contract with Jackson Grier, Esq., an attorney of Chadbourn, for and in consideration of his services and those of his associates, to execute a good and sufficient deed to 40 per cent. in acreage and value of whatever lands are recovered by the plaintiffs in a suit in the Superior Court in this county, which Mrs. Irving et al. have brought against William Blanks, Pembroke Jones and other property owners on Wrightsville Sound to dispossess them under an alleged old land grant recently discovered, the title of practically all of Summer Rest being involved.

LaGrecque Demonstration lasts but a few days longer at Platt & Haar's. **

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Double Trading Stamps Thursday, March 1, 1906; single Trading Stamps all other days.

POLVOGT'S SPECIALS

Double Trading Stamps Thursday, March 1, 1906; single Trading Stamps all other days.

STILL GREAT SACRIFICES, PROMPTED BY THE STEADY INCREASE OF OUR SPRING STOCK. PERHAPS THE MOST INTERESTING GROUPS THAT CROWD IN TO PROMINENCE THIS WEEK ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MONDAY, FEB. 26TH, 1906.

100 dozen Linen finish, heavy quality Huck Towels worth 10 2-3 cts., this day only 11 1-2 cts.

100 dozen heavy Turkish Bath Towels, large size, 19c. value, this day only 13c.; smaller size 10c. value, 13c.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27TH, 1906.

500 pieces Valanciennes Laces and Insertions at less than half prevailing prices, they will go at 15c., 25c., 35c. and 40c., the dozen yards. Regular prices in each lot average just about double.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1ST, 1906.

Black Chiffon Taffetas magnificent Silk of rich lustre, very desirable as they give perfect satisfaction for all dress purposes. Others ask for this quality $1.50; our price to-day $1.15.

Our regular $1.25 value for 95c. These goods are fully guaranteed and full 36 inches wide.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2ND, 1906.

Black Brilliantine and Seellences special.

52-inch Black Sicelian, value 75c.; special, 49c.

45-inch Black Mohair, value 90c.; special, 69c.

45-inch Black Mohair, value $1.00; special, 79c.

45-inch Mohair, value $1.25; special, 98c.

45-inch Black Sicelian, value $1.50; special, $1.20.

Double Trading Stamps Thursday, March 1, 1906

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28TH, 1906.

500 fancy stock Collars, worth from 25 to 75c.; we will sell this day for only 15c. each.

200 Umbrellas and Parasols, regular $1.25 to $1.50 quality; this day only 89c. You must see them to appreciate their value.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3RD, 1906.

Our stock of Black Mercerized Satine Skirts must go; this is the last day at such low prices.

$1.25 Black Mercerized Skirts, 90c.
$1.50 Black Mercerized Skirts, $1.15.
$2.00 Black Mercerized Skirts, $1.39.
$2.50 Black Mercerized Skirts, $1.79.
$3.00 Black Mercerized Skirts, $2.12.

The C. W. Polvogt Co.

"The Store That's Always Busy."

Opposite the Postoffice — Wilmington, N. C.

Sole Agents for the W. B. and Kabo Corsets.

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20c. A DAY — WATCH THIS SPACE. — 20c. A DAY

We have something you need.

Can you afford to be without one in your home?

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Send in your orders for the famous

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The strongest Lithia Water known and

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The best in the market.

A trial will convince you.

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How About Your Money?

Are you receiving full value for the portion of it which you have invested in machinery or mill supplies. If not, see us. We give value received for every dollars worth purchased of us. Full line, prompt shipment.

T. J. PRATT, Gen. Mgr.

Interstate Machinery and Supply Co.

Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE!

The Culpepper-Hayden Co. having Sold its business to J. O. Brown the change to take effect Monday, Feb. 26th, the firm respectfully requests its customers to continue their patronage with Mr. Brown. Mr. Culpepper will remain with Mr. Brown for a short time to see that all work on which he has contracted is properly executed. R. A. CULPEPPER.

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Apollinaris Water, White Rock, Lithia Water, Canterell and Cochranes Ginger Ale, Sweet Pickel and Brandy Peaches.

Crow & Taylor,

14 Market St., Grocers.

'Phone 1052.

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NOTICE.

Property-holders heretofore assessed for street improvement who have failed to pay such assessments are hereby notified that the time allowed by law for the purpose has expired, and it is mandatory on the city, to have executions issued by the Clerk of the Superior Court against the property. Executions will be issued unless the amounts due are paid on or before the 10th day of March, 1906.

JNO. J. FOWLER,
Clerk & Treas.

This 24th, February, 1906.

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ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO.

SOUTHERN BUILDING

Interest 4 Per Cent

Save Something Now and Accumulate Wealth.

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GROCERIES WHOLESALE ONLY.

To Buy Good Goods at Low Prices, Send or 'Phone Orders to

SAM'L. BEAR SR., & SONS

18 and 20 Market St.,

Wilmington, N. C.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC!

FOUR NIGHTS COMMENCING, Monday Night, Feb. 26th.

The Davis-Goodwin Co.

Opening Bill Monday Night "A DAUGHTER OF SATAN."

Bright and Sparkling Specialties Will Be Introduced Between Acts.

10——20——30 Cents.

Seats for Monday night on sale Saturday.

fe23-3t

GET THE BEST.

Come to the Climax Barber Shop, No. 7 South Front Street. Skilled artists, sharp razors and polite attention.

GUION & DAVIS.

fe24-tf

People May Now Realize That a Brick Building Even, in the Heart of the City Can BURN. Confer with

J. VAN B. METTS,

109 Princess Street,

and

Insure Your Property.

feb 13-tf 'Phone 162.

MISS BESSIE GORE WISHES TO announce to her patrons and friends that her dancing classes will meet after March 1st. in old Odd-Fellows building next door to Hibernian Hall, her present location. Evening classes meet Mondays and Thursdays of each week at 8:30 P. M.; afternoon classes Tuesdays and Fridays at 4 o'clock. Saturday night socials at 9 o'clock.

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Sunday Morning, Feb. 25.

THE SOUTH'S BUSY DAY.

In Washington on Friday William Lloyd Garrison, of Massachusetts, hobnobbed with a lot of "Afro-American" confreres and the outfit "took steps" to cut down representation from the South in Congress and in the electoral college. Back yonder some years ago the doings of unthinking cranks like Dixie, but sentiment in the North Garrison would cause uneasiness in has changed very much and the South is reassured that no formidable movement will ever be started in the Northern States to interfere with good government or again retard progress in the Southern States. Therefore, the rantings of William Lloyd Garrisons et id omne genus are read and thrown away as not worth a chew of tobacco, as the old saying goes.

Years ago the South got a blackeye in the North but there has been a wonderful change in sentiment about this fair part of the Republic. The eyes of the Northern people have been opened to political conditions in the South and there has been a notable awakening to the great resources and marvelous development of Dixieland. Instead of getting knocks from Northern writers, newspapers, and conventions, the South is getting well advertised for its enterprise and development. For instance in an article published in a Boston magazine recently a New England man wrote astonishingly about things he saw in the South and ascertained about her progress. The magazine writer goes back to 1895, ten years ago, and notes that then about 3,000 locomotives were necessary to maintain the train service on the four principal railway lines traversing the Southern States east of the Mississippi river. The freight traffic of that time required only about 95,000 cars. However, he goes on to state that the increase has been so enormous within the subsequent decade that 5,000 locomotives are now in service and the freight equipment of these four roads has been increased to 200,000 cars. In the matter of track mileage the extension has been such that the increase has been from 20,000 to over 30,000 miles.

The New England writer has carefully inquired into the character of the freight movement, and finds that it includes a vast amount of building material, while the transportation of general merchandise increased to the extent of 1,660,000 tons. All this on one railroad alone. He further says that in ten years the net earnings of one road exceed the entire gross earnings of the former period, while gross earnings increased nearly 300 per cent. on a gain in mileage of only 132 per cent.

The above is just a part of the evidence which the magazine writer produced about the great development going on in the South, but that tremendous increase of the railroad traffic of our States is sufficient to show that we are doing things down this way. The people up North are recognizing it, and the Boston Transcript, in an article referring to the magazine article makes the observation that "no other section of the United States is showing more significant progress at the present time," and that "competent judges believe that a continuance of her present prosperity should place the States of the South on an equality with most of the other thriving industrial commonwealths."

Col. William Lloyd Garrison is wasting time and lamentations over political conditions in the South when he could learn more by reading the Boston magazines and newspapers that keep up with the times. The South is too busy to be disturbed by the Garrison class of agitators.

REPUBLICAN TROUBLES.

Climaxes are rapidly developing in the row between the waring Republican factions in North Carolina. The Star's dispatches from Asheville have already told about the finding by the Federal grand jury of three indictments against Representative E. Spencer Blackburn, "the only Republican Congressman in North Carolina." Now comes news that Blackburn, attributing his persecution to District Attorney Holton, is going to make it hot for Holton. Blackburn left Washington on Friday for Asheville, and in the meantime come reports from the mountain city that counter charges are to be preferred in the Federal Court against District Attorney Holton himself. Some of the charges against Holton are malfeasance in office, and other charges including one that the District Attorney paid an Asheville hotel a rate of $2 a day and charged the government $4 a day in his expense account, etc., etc.

Thus the plot thickens and the end is not yet, and we may get more of it when Blackburn gets busy at Asheville. Speaking of Blackburn's leaving Washington for the seat of trouble, Mr. T. J. Pence wired from Washington to the Raleigh News and Observer, on Friday night:

"Representative Blackburn changed his mind today, and instead of sticking to his work here, as he announced yesterday he would do, left tonight for North Carolina. The representative from the Eighth district will stop off at Greensboro, and after a conference with firends, announces that he will go to Asheville, where the grand jury that returned the indictments against him is in session. There was a report that he would demand an immediate trial, but Mr. Blackburn would admit nothing of the kind.

An afternoon paper did quote him as saying: 'I am going down there to make those people make good or quit.' In his conversation with this writer, Mr. Blackburn did not indicate any such purpose. When asked the direct question if he would appear in court and demand an early trial, he said: 'I want to find out first what I have been indicted for. That is the object of my trip,' he continued.

"A number of North Carolininns went to the House early today expecting to hear Mr. Blackburn arise to a question of privilege. They were disappointed. He says now that he will not take advantage of this opportunity for answering the indictments rendered against him, a privilege to which he is entitled under the rules of the House. The Congressman has also about concluded not to make the sensational statement, which he said would reveal 'the true inwardness of the whole North Carolina situation, political, judicial and otherwise.'

"The frequency with which Mr. Blackburn has shifted positions during the past few days gave rise to the impression today at the Capitol that he is badly rattled. His friends say that he is the victim of a multiplicity of advice. Many of his Congressional friends have given him advice. Some counselled silence; others urged that he make a full statement, and one of the biggest men in public life suggested that he arise to a question of privilege. With this wealth of advice before him, Mr. Blackburn has been somewhat embarrassed, and he is going to North Carolina to consult with colse friends and incidentally to find out, if possible, what character of evidence the government has against him.

"The friends of Mr. Blackburn have been discussing the employment of counsel. Ex-Judge W. P. Bynum, will be asked to defend, and it is believed that an effort will be made to retain Cy Watson."

Between us, our impression all along about Blackburn's statements given out at Washington, denying the charges against him, has been that they didn't state much and that there was some reservation about the statements that was mystifying.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—At a christening in the wilds of Missouri, while the minister was recording the event he happened to say: "Let me see—isn't this the 27th?" "I should say not," retorted the indignant mother, "it's only the ninth."—New York Sun.

—"Why are people pleased with compliments which they know are insincere?" "No compliment is wholly insincere," answered Miss Cayenne. "If it is not prompted by admiration it at least indicates a respect for the influence you can exert."—Washington Star.

—Magistrate and M. P.—"After mature and careful consideration of your case I have come to the conclusion that you are a lazy, good for nothing rogue. May I ask if you ever earned shilling in your life?" Prisoner—"Oh yes, I have, yer 'onor. I voted for yer 'onor once."—The Sketch.

—She (six weeks after elopement)—"I received a letter from papa today." He—"Well?" She—"He writes that he had just finished making his will." He—"Did he remember us?" She—"Yes, indeed. He has left all his money to an asylum for hopeless idiots."—Chicago Daily News.

Benevolent Gentleman—"My little boy have you not better way to spend this beautiful afternoon than by standing in front of the gate idling away your time?" Boy—"I ain't idling away my time. There is a chump inside with sister who is paying me six pence an hour to watch for pa."—Pick-Me-Up.

—Sure Winner—Si Haymow—Bill Cummings an' Seth Barlow are both runnin' after Sarah Jane Cornhill, ain't they? Rube Hardacres—Yep; but Seth ain't got no chance with a feller like Bill. Why, Bill seen her in town one day an' took her into ther drug store an' planked down 15 cents fer chewin' gum like it warn't nuthin' at all!—Puck.

—A Good Forgetter—"Johnny," asked the teacher," how much is seven times nine?" "I don't remember." "Who discovered America?" "I did know, but I forgot." "What's an isthmus?" "I don't remember." "You don't remember! Take your seat sir. You'll never amount to anything in this world!" But he did. He is now drawing $75,000 per year as chief forgetter for a large corporation—Minneapolis Tribunt.

TWINKLINGS.

—Having at last recovered his breath, ex-Chief Engineer Wallace is the latest to join the ranks of those who want to make out that Secretary Taft is not the heavy-weight of this Administration.—Portland Oregonian.

—If in a multitude of counselors there is safety, the Rate bill when finally enacted ought to be a measure as nearly satisfactory to all interests as any such measure can possibly be made.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

—The Senate accuses President Roosevelt of using "political methods." So far as recalled, Andrew Johnson is the only President who did not use such methods, and he came within one vote of being impeached.—Kansas City Times.

—The great purpose of the time in this country seems to be to make better laws and to secure better enforcement of law. Those who stand for this purpose, and especially those who lead in carrying it forward, will be the great benefactors of the nation when the higher ideals for which they strive shall have been realized.—Kansas City Star.

Are You Tired, Nervous and Sleepless?

Nervousness and sleeplessness are usually due to the fact that the nerves are not fed on properly nourishing blood; they are *starved* nerves. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery *makes pure, rich blood*, and thereby the nerves are properly nourished and all the organs of the body are run as smoothly as machinery which runs in oil. In this way you feel clean, strong and strenuous—you are toned up and invigorated, and you are good for a whole lot of physical or mental work. Best of all, the strength and increase in vitality and health are *lasting*.

The trouble with most tonics and medicines which have a large, booming sale for a short time, is that they are largely composed of alcohol holding the drugs in solution. This alcohol shrinks up the red blood corpuscles, and in the long run greatly injures the system. One may feel exhilarated and better for the time being, yet in the end weakened and with vitality decreased. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery contains no alcohol. Every bottle of it bears upon its wrapper *The Badge of Honesty*, in a full list of all its several ingredients. For the druggist to offer you something he claims is "just as good" is to insult your intelligence.

Every ingredient entering into the world-famed "Golden Medical Discovery" has the unanimous approval and endorsement of the leading medical authorities of all the several schools of practice. No other medicine sold through druggists for like purposes has any such endorsement.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" not only produces all the good effects to be obtained from the use of Golden Seal root, in all stomach, liver and bowel troubles, as in dyspepsia, billousness, constipation, ulceration of stomach and bowels and kindred ailments, but the Golden Seal root used in its compounding is greatly enhanced in its curative action by other ingredients such as Stone root, Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot, Mandrake root and chemically pure triple-refined glycerine.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation, billousness and headache.

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We want every sick woman or girl to write us fully about her case, so we can help her. Describe plainly what is wrong with you, stating age, and we will send you Free Advice, in plain, sealed envelope. All letters strictly confidential. Address: Ladies' Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co. Chattanooga, Tenn.

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There is a surprising ignorance amongst women, on the subject of their own functions. Nine out of ten, suffer dreadfully every month, and think they have to. Do you? If so, you are wrong. No need to suffer, unless you wish to. Functional pain is a sign of functional disease. It can be cured by

WINE OF CARDUI

Woman's Relief

All those bearing-down pains, headaches, backaches, cramps, dizziness, etc., can be cured by Cardui.

Not only CAN, but SHOULD. To allow them to come back every month, is to invite loss of health and happiness.

Irregular menstruation, bad breath, poor blood—all results of female weakness, in young or old, can be cured with Cardui. Try it.

At all drug stores in $1.00 bottles

"I COULD SCARCELY GET AROUND,"

writes Mrs. F. J. Ashburn, of Clarkrange, Tenn., "for pain at my monthly periods. I had bearing-down pains, head ached every day and my back hurt so I could scarcely stand. I was tired and run down, and thought I couldn't live. Since taking Cardui, however, I have greatly improved and feel better than I have for years. If it were not for Cardui I might now be under the ground."

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 24, 1906.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady, 69c.

ROSIN—Market, firm, $3.75.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $3.00 per barrels for hard, $4.75 for dip, and $4.75 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine, nothing doing, rosin nothing doing; tar firm, $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.30, $3.70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	—
Rosin	179
Tar	140
Crude	39

Receipts same day last year—18 casks spirits turpentine, 207 barrels rosin, 11 barrels tar, 59 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market—Steady, 10 1-4c.

Same day last year—Firm, 7 3-8c.

Receipts—269 bales; same day last year, 304 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, Prime, 85c.; extra prime, 90c.; fancy 95c., per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 45c.; extra prime, 50c.; fancy, 55@60c.; Spanish 85@90c.

CORN—Firm: 62 1-2@65c. per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 15 to 16c. per pound; shoulders, 11 to 12; sides dull, 11 to 12.

EGGS—Dull, 15 to 16.

CHICKENS—Dull, Springs, 15c to 25c.; Grown, 30 to 35.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 26@27c

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50 to 55c. per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c. pound.

TURKEYS—Firm, 15c for live; dressed, 18 to 20c.

HIDES—Dry salted, 12c; green, 8c per pound.

PORK—Dull, 6 to 7; hams, 8 to 10.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 24.—The cotton market opened barely steady at a decline of 2 to 3 points on old crop months to an advance of 1 point on October. Trading was comparatively quiet and prices first sagged off as a result of somewhat disappointing cables and Southern selling. Liverpool and the continent were buying, however, and as soon as the absence of important March liquidation was noted the market turned steadier on covering, with prices during the middle of the morning about 1 point net higher. The weather map showed considerable rain in the central belt and the week end figures reflected large takings of American cotton. The market closed barely steady with prices 1 point higher to 9 points lower.

Receipts of cotton at the ports yesterday were 15,509 bales against 21,523 last week and 24,044 last year. For the week (estimated) 120,000 bales, against 143,303 last week and 157,817 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 7,630 bales against 5,367 last year and at Houston 2,795 bales, against 3,912 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands, 10.80; middling gulf, 11.05; sales 100 bales.

Futures opened steady; and closed barely steady. Prices ranged as follows:

Opening—February, 10.35; March, 10.30; April, 10.39; May, 10.52; July, 10.69; August, 10.61; September, 10.38; October, 10.23; December, 10.27.

Closing—February, 10.22; March, 10.23; April, 10.35; May, 10.46; July, 10.64; August, 10.58; September, 10.32; October, 10.22; November, 10.25; December, 10.28.

Port Movement.

Galveston—Quiet, 10 3-4c.; net receipts, 4,737 bales.

New Orleans—Quiet, 10 9-16c.; net receipts, 7,630 bales.

Mobile—Steady, 10 1-2c.; net receipts, 499 bales.

Savannah—Dull, 10 3-8c.; net receipts, 927 bales.

Charleston—Quiet, 10 1-8c.; net receipts, 316 bales.

Wilmington—Steady, 10 1-4c.; net receipts, 269 bales.

Norfolk—Steady, 10 5-8c.; net receipts, 869 bales.

Baltimore—Nominal, 10 7-8c.

New York—Quiet, 10.80; net receipts, 72 bales.

Boston—Quiet, 10.80; net receipts, 140 bales.

Philadelphia—Steady, 11.05; net receipts, 79 bales.

Total to-day, at all ports—Net, 15,509 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 20,801 bales; Continent, 19,678 bales; Mexico, 50 bales; Stock, 842,543 bales.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 15,509 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 20,801 bales; Continent, 19,678 bales; Mexico, 50 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all ports—Net, 6,157,736 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 2,125,989 bales; France, 580,366 bales; Continent, 1,734,743 bales; Japan, 62,083 bales; Mexico, 2,416 bales.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Steady, 10 9-16c.; net receipts, 2,795 bales.

Augusta—Steady, 10 3-4c.; net receipts, 202 bales.

Memphis—Steady, 10 11-16c.; net receipts, 961 bales.

St. Louis—Quiet, 10 3-4c.; net receipts, 216 bales.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 290 bales

Louisville—Firm, 11c.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Feb. 24.—Cotton.—Spot quiet; prices 2 points higher; American middling fair, 6.27d.; good middling, 5.93d.; middling, 5.75d.; low middling, 5.59d.; good ordinary, 5.41d; ordinary, 5.25d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 6,300 American. Receipts 4,000 bales, including 3,100 American. Futures opened steady and closed steady; American middling G. O. C: February, 5.60d.; February and March, 5.60d.; March and April, 5.61d.; April and May, 5.64d.; May and June, 5.67d.; June and July, 5.70d.; July and August, 5.72d.; August and September, 5.69d.; September and October, 5.55d.; October and November, 5.52d.; November and December, 5.51d.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL

New York, Feb. 24.—Money on call, nominal; no loans. Time loans, steady; 60 days, 90 days and six months, 5 1-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5@5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 486.25@486.35 for demand and at 482.85@482.95 for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 483 1-2 @484 and 487@487 1-2. Commercial bills, 482 1-4@482 3-4. Bar silver 66 1-2. Mexican dollars, 51 1-2.

N. Y. Bonds.

U. S. refunding, 3s reg	103 1-4
U. S. refunding, 2s cou	103 1-4
U. S. 3s reg	102 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	102 3-4
U. S. old, 4s reg.	103 1-4
U. S. old, 4s cou.	103 1-4
U. S. New 4s reg.	129 1-4
U. S. New 4s cou	129 1-2
American Tobacco, 4s cert	78 7-8
American Tobacco, 5s cert	116
Atlantic Coast Line, 5s cert	101 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio	104 3-4
L. & N. Unified, 5s	103 5-8
Seaboard Air Line	91
Southern Railway 5s	118 1-2
U. S. Steel, 2d 5s	99

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper	110 3-4
American Sugar Refining	141 1-4
American Tobacco, pfd., cert	103 3-4
Atlantic Coast Line	159
Baltimore & Ohio	110 7-8
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd	96 1-2
Chesapeake & Ohio	56 5-8
Louisville & Nashville	146 1-2
Manhattan L.	158 1-2
New York Central	148
Norfolk and Western	87 1-2
Norfolk & Western, pfd	90
People's Gas	96 3-8
Reading	138
Reading, 1st pfd	92
Reading, 2nd pfd	99
Southern Pacific	66
Southern Pacific, pfd	117 1-2
Southern Railway	38 3-8
Southern Railway, pfd	99
eTnn., Coal & Iron	156
U. S. Steel	42
U. S. Steel, pfd	106 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical	49 1-4
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd	114 1-2
S. A. L., com	—
S. A. L., com	—
Standard Oil	685
Western Union	93 1-4

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—Liberal primary receipts and wet weather in Kansas offset a number of bullish foreign advices and caused a steady close to-day in the local wheat market, the May delivery showing no change from the final quotations of yesterday. Corn and oats were each up 1-4 to 3-8. Provisions down 2 1-2 to 20.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close.
Wheat, No. 2.—				
May	82½	82⅝	82⅛	82⅜
July	81⅝	81⅝	81¼	81⅝
Corn, No. 2.—				
May	43⅛	43⅜	43	43⅜
July	43¾	44	43¾	44
Sept.	44⅝	44½	44¼	44½
Oats, No. 2.—				
May	30⅛	30½	30⅛	30½
July	29½	29¾	29½	29¾
Sept.	28¼	28½	28¼	28½
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
May	15.62½	15.62½	15.37½	14.42½
July	15.20	15.20	15.05	15.07½
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
May	7.80	7.82½	7.75	7.75
July	7.85	7.85	7.77½	7.80
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
May	8.22½	8.25	8.12½	8.15
July	8.25	8.27½	8.17½	8.17½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, dull and easy; Winter patents, 3.70@4.00; Straights, 5.50@4.85; Spring patents, 3.70@3.85; Straights, 3.50@3.70; Bakers, 2.20@3.00; No. 2 spring wheat, 81@83; No. 3 spring wheat, 76 1-4@80; No. 2 red, 83 1-2@84 1-8; No. 2 corn, 39 3-4; No. 2 yellow, 40; No. 2 oats, 30 3-4; No. 2 white, 31 1-2@32; No. 3 white, 29 3-4@31; No. 2 rye, 63; Mess pork, per bbl., 14.62 1-2@14.75; Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.62 1-2@7.65; Short ..bs sides, (loose), 7.85@7.95; Shor' clear sides (boxed), 8.40@8.50; Whiskey, basis of high, wines, 1.28.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

New York, Feb. 24.—Flour dull and unchanged; Minnesota patent, 4.35@4.65; baker's, 3.50@3.85; Winter patents, 4.00@4.35.

CORN MEAL—Dull; fine, 1.15; coarse, 1.03@1.05; kiln dried, 2.70@2.80.

WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 red, 86 1-2 elevator. Options unchanged. May 88; July, 87; September, 85 3-4.

CORN—Firm; No. 2, 48. Options unchanged. May, 48 7-8; July, 49 1-2; September, 50 1-8.

OATS—Steady; mixed, 34 1-2.

BEEF—Quiet; family, 11.50@13.00; mess, 9.00@10.00; beef hams, 20.00@21.50; packed, 10.50@11.00.

CUT MEATS—Firm; pickled bellies, 8 1-2@9 1-2; pickled shoulders, 7c.; pickled hams, 9 3-4@10 1-2.

LARD—Steady; western steamed nominal; refined quiet; continent, 8.10; compound, 6 1-8@6 3-8.

PORK—Steady; family, 16.50@17.00; short clear, 15.00@17.50; mess, 16.25@16.75.

TALLOW—Quiet; city, 5; country, 5@5 1-4.

RICE—Dull; domestic, 3 1-2@6.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, 30@38.

COFFEE—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice, 8 1-4. Mild steady; Cordova, 9 3-4@12 3-4. Futures steady, unchanged.

SUGAR—Raw steady; fair refining, 2 7-8; centrifugal, 3 11-32@3 3-8; molasses sugar, 2 5-8. Refined quiet; confectioners A., 4.35; mould A., 4.85; cut loaf, 5.20; crushed, 5.20; powdered, 4.60; granulated, 4.50; cubes, 4.75.

BUTTER—Steady to firm, unchanged.

CHEESE—Easy, unchanged.

EGGS—Firm, unchanged; nearby selected, 20@21; western firsts, 15; Southerns, 12@15.

FREIGHTS TO LIVERPOOL—Easy.

PEANUTS—Steady; handpicked, 4 @5 1-4; other domestic, 2@5 1-4.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, easy.

COTTON BY STEAM—18c.

POTATOES—Steady, unchanged.

CABBAGES—Steady, unchanged.

COTON SEED OIL—Steady; prime crude f. o. b. mills, 23@23 1-2; prime summer yellow, 30 1-2; prime white, 33@33 1-2; prime winter yellow, 33@33 1-2.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Feb. 24.—Turpentine steady 71 1-2 to 72; rosin steady, strained common to good, 4.20 to 4.25.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 24.—Turpentine firm, 69; sales, 27; receipts, 123; shipments, 53.

Rosin firm; sales 2,988; receipts 796; shipments 1,221; stock 49,351. Quote: A. B. C. D. E., F. and G., 4.05; H., 4.25; I., 4.55; K., 5.20; M., 5.45; N., 5.90; W. G., 6.10; W. W., 6.20

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 24.—Turpentine and rosin nothing doing.

MARINE

ARRIVED.

Steamer Tar Heel, Roberts, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Steamer Navahoe, Ingram, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Schooner Annie C. Grace, 454 tons, Bailey, Baltimore, C. D. Mafflitt.

CLEARED.

Steamer Tar Heel, Roberts, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Steamer Compton, Jacobs, Little River, S. C.; Stone & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Schooners.

Jno. R. Fell, 281 tons, Loveland, C. D. Mafflitt.

Joel Cook, 319 tons, Walker, C. D. Mafflitt.

Brazos, 190 tons, Snyder, C. D. Mafflitt.

Annie C. Graves, 454 tons, Bailey, C. D. Mafflitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 24, 1906.

C. C. Railroad—15 bales cotton, 4 barrels tar, 27 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—9 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—226 bales cotton, 9 barrels rosin, 56 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—17 bales cotton, 43 barrels rosin, 7 barrels tar.

Steamer Whitlock—17 barrels tar.

Steamer Tar Heel—82 barrels rosin, 44 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Compton—2 bales cotton, 45 barrels rosin, 12 barrels tar.

Total—269 bales cotton, 179 barrels rosin, 140 barrels tar, 39 barrels crude turpentine.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for City Pulpits To-Day.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Odd Fellows' building, second floor: Services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson sermon, "Man." All are invited.

St. Thomas' church: First Mass, 7 A. M., High Mass Sermon, 10.30 A. M. Vespers, 7:45 P. M.

Brooklyn Baptist church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor: Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 3:30 P. M. Wednesday night prayer meeting at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor. Quinquagesima Sunday: German service, 11 A. M. English Vesper service, 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 3:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all.

Market Street Methodist church, next to corner of Ninth and Market streets: There will be services to day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School, 3 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. All are cordially invited to any or all these services. Evangelist M. J. Duryea, pastor.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. C. W. Kegley, pastor: Sunday School at 10 A. M.; Preaching services at 11 A. M.; Vesper services at 7:30 P. M.; Ash Wednesday services at 11 A. M. Lenten services Thursday at 8 P. M. Every person welcome.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, corner Front and Queen streets: The services of this church are for all who will attend. The hours of service are, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. All visitors and strangers in the vicinity of this church are most cordially invited to attend. The seats are free and you are welcome.

Bladen Street Methodist church, corner of Fifth and Bladen, Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor: Service Sunday, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School, 3:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7:45 P. M. Public is cordially invited.

St. John's church, corner of Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., rector: Quinquagesima Sunday, morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday School, 4 P. M. Seats free; strangers cordially invited.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, corner Fourth and Orange street, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Seats free. Strangers are cordially invited.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. W. Craig will preach in Bladen Street M. E. church to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

St. Mark's church: Services at St. Mark's Episcopal church, Quinquagesima Sunday, Holy Communion 7:30 A. M. Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon, 11 A. M. Choral Evensong and Sermon, 7:45 P. M.

On shrove Tuesday night, Feb. 27th, the Rev. Mr. Sweet, for many years a missionary in Japan, will address the congregation on the work in that field and on missions in general. The offering at this service will be for Foreign Missions. It is hoped that the attendance of the public as well as the offering will be large, as it is not often that congregations hear of missions from the lips of workers in the field.

The regular Lenten services begins on Ash Wednesday and continues daily until Easter. A special series of sermons on "Christ in the Wilderness" will be preached on the Sunday mornings during Lent at 11 A. M.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 24.—The dry goods market today was quiet and showed slight irregularities. Buyers did not seem inclined to operate liberaly because of this fact but they were willing to take goods for their immediate requirements.

A Healing Gospel.

The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of Sharon Baptist Church, Belair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a God-send to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weakness and all Stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at all Druggists. Price 50c. **

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Nadinola is a new discovery, sold under a positive guarantee, and money will be refunded in every case where it fails to remove freckles, pimples, liver-spots, sun-tan, collar discolorations, black-heads and all disfiguring eruptions of the skin, no matter of how long standing. Cures ordinary cases in ten days, and the worst in twenty days. A few applications will remove tan or sallowness. After these defects are removed the skin will be clear, soft, healthy and beautiful. No possible harm can result from its use. Price 50c. and $1.00, at leading drug stores or by mail. National Toilet Company, Paris, Tenn.

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The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co.; or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes and small packages. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for advertisements always call the Star Office, 'Phone 51.

WANTED—LADY OR GENTLEMAN of fair education to travel for firm of $250,000 capital. Salary, $1,073 per year, payable weekly. Expenses advanced. Address Geo. G. Clows, Wilmington, N. C. fe25-2t*

CALL PHONE 547 WHEN YOU WANT a nice Chicken dinner, or N. C. Hams, country Sausage fresh every week. Full line groceries. Will appreciate your orders. S. F. Craig. ja20 tf

ON ACCOUNT OF EXTENSIVE REpairs to Bonitz Hotel, the dining room and kitchen will be closed for 30 days, beginning to-morrow, but lodging and rooms may be secured at the usual prices. J. H. W. Bonitz, Proprietor. fe25-1w

THERE WILL BE A BAZAAR HELD in Hibernian Hall Tuesday, February 27th, for the benefit of St. Thomas' church. Children will be entertained from 3 to 6 P. M. From 6 to 10 P. M., supper will be served at 25 cents. fe26-2t

WARM BATHS AT THE ONLY RESTaurant, 118 Market Street, upstairs. fe25-3t

WANTED—BY TWO YOUNG MEN, nice furnished room with or without board. State price for room or room and board. Address "B. L. B." Box 421. fe25-1t*

FOR SALE—ONE FULL GROWN perfectly gentle. For terms apply to "R. S. W." 917 Chesnut street, Wilmington, N. C. fe25-1t*

A STOUT COLORED BOY, ABOUT 13 to 15 years old, who is not afraid of work, is wanted as porter, errand boy, &c. Best references required. Apply at the Star office. fe25-3t

TOO BUSY TO WRITE ADVERTISEments. Wilmington Pressing Club. fe25-tf

AGENTS—LUMINOUS NAMEPLATES, Signs, Numbers; readable darkest nights; easily sold; profits large; samples free. Wright Supply Co., Englewood, Ill. fe25-1t*

LOOK AT OUR NEW WINDOWS. Mustapha Biscuits five cents per package, six for twenty five cents. As good as the best. Try them just once. The Co-operative Grocery Co., 'Phone 1064, 131 Market Street fe-24 4t p

SALESMAN WANTED. WELL EQUIPped salesman to call on physicians. A very exceptional opportunity is offered for immediate work. Age and experience. Lock Box 88, Philadelphia. fe-23 3t

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT—Apply to Mr. Carl Muegge, corner Second and Princess streets. fe25-1t*

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FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOM. Apply to 608 Orange St. fe4-tf

FRESH ARRIVALS—BANANAS, Apples, Onions, Oranges, Cabbage, and Irish Potatoes. Two cars just arrived. A. S. Winstead. oc22-tf

SWEET LIPS SHOULD TASTE THE sweet delicacies served at "The Oasis." For instance, Sliced Pineapple, Bananas, and whipped cream, hot chocolate with Whipped Cream, home-made Cakes, Sandwiches with home-made Rolls, Vegetable Soups, Clam Bouillion, tomato Bouillion, Beef Tea, Malt Coffee, the best cereal coffee made. We delight to please the ladies. ja2-tf

COLD STORAGE—BUTTER CHEESE, Apples, Onions, Potatoes, Cabbage, Oranges and Tangerines. We buy only in car-load lots, and can undersell the other fellow. 'Phone 94. Wm. E. Worth & Co. ja14-tf

NOTICE TO THE FARMERS—WILL sell you for cash or on time, our phosphate lime. It not only greatly increases your crops but rebuilds your soil. If you knew its value you would not fail to use it. For information write B. F. Keith, Wilmington, N. C. fe-23 tf

WANTED A MAN TO SET AND burn brick. Must have good reference; good salary and a steady job. Apply to J. E. Sharp, Atkinson, N. C. fe20-1w

FOR RENT—A TWO ROOM STORE with fixtures ready for business at Rooks, N. C. For terms apply to H. H. Woodcock, Rooks, N. C. fe-24

Happenings and Doings In Society.

By G. N. H.

Ash Wednesday falls this year on the 28th inst., and will close the Pre-Lenten social season.

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Miss Alice Borden, who is in Atlanta, on a pleasant visit to friends, expects to return to Wilmington this week.

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Miss Athalia Lord visited her sister, Mrs. J. S. Watters, on North Poplar street, in Charlotte, during the past week.

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Miss Cora Meredith went to Whiteville the past week to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. T. S. Memory, of that place.

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Mrs. Peter Arrington, of New York, is the welcomed guest of Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Clark at their hospitable home on Dock street.

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Mr. Wm. L. Walker returned to Wilmington on Wednesday from a pleasant visit to Mr. Burruss Corpew, at his beautiful country home near Norfolk, Va.

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Miss Lina Wiggins entertained her card club last week. Miss Wiggins is a very delightful hostess and her guests enjoyed an evening of unalloyed pleasure.

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Mrs. J. McRee Hatch has been on a pleasant visit to her school girl friends, Miss Fay Webb, of Shelby, N. C., but is expected to return to her home to-day.

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Miss Lilla Bellamy added pleasant impression to her established reputation as a charming hostess on Tuesday afternoon when she entertained a few friends at cards.

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Miss Laura Clark, who has been on a very pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Edward S. Battle, near Tarboro, returned to the city last Monday very much to the delight of her friends.

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Mrs. Harry S. Sleicher, of Auburn, N. Y., arrived last Sunday and is a guest at the Colonial Inn. Mrs. Sleicher's many friends in this city are pleased to welcome her to Wilmington.

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Miss Nora Angel, who now resides with her sister in Washington, N. C., is in the city on a visit to friends. Miss Angel's friends were more than pleased to welcome her to her old home.

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There has been an unusual number of small card parties and social gatherings during the past week which were informal, and perhaps for this reason, all the more pleasant and enjoyable.

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Miss Nellie MacMillan, who has been and still is on a very pleasant visit to friends in New Jersey and New York, is expected to return to Wilmington in the near future much to the delight of many friends.

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Hon Wharton J. Green, a former congressman from this district, and a gentleman of a large and warm circle of friends, is in the city visiting his daughter, Mrs. George B. Elliott, on South Third street.

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Miss Ellen Gregory, of Richmond, Va., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bechtig. Miss Gregory has made many very warm friends in this city, who will always extend to her a cordial welcome to Wilmington.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson Mills entertained very charmingly last Monday evening at their hospitable home, the bridal party and a few invited guests of their daughter, Mrs. Jos. W. Yates, nee Miss Rena Mills.

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Miss Heloise Beebe expects to make a visit to friends in Augusta, Ga., leaving here about the first of March. Her friends in Wilmington will regret to see her leave, and will give her a most cordial welcome on her return.

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Mrs. E. VanB. Sands entertained very informally a few friends on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Sands is a very agreeable hostess and her friends are always charmingly entertained in her cosy apartments at the Cronly home.

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Miss Lucy Bridgers was the hostess of the Thursday Evening Bridge Whist Club last week. The personnel of this club is composed of some of the city's most popular young ladies who are reigning belles in their coterie of friends.

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Mrs. George W. Kidder entertained very charmingly on Tuesday at a small tea-drinking. Her hospitable home has been the scene of many pleasant entertainments and the tea of Tuesday was one of the pleasantest of her entertainments.

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The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, Miss Sadie Jones and Master Pembroke are expecting them to arrive at "Airlie" in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Jones and family will spend two or three weeks very quietly at their beautiful home on the Sound.

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Of the many charming visitors who have been entertained by friends in this city, there were none more popular or more admired than Miss Fannie McNeely, of Salisbury, N. C., who will return to her home this week, much to the regret of her large circle of friends.

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The North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati will meet in this city on the 19th and 20th of April. About twenty delegates will attend the meeting. The Cincinnati is very much interested in the restoration work at old St. Philip's and on the 20th of April will the guests of the Colonial Dames.

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Mr. Tyrell Morgan, of Wilmington, attended the marriage of a friend in Savannah, Ga., on Wednesday evening of the past week. A number of prominent young society men of Charlotte were also in attendance upon the wedding, the groom, Mr. Young, having been a former resident of this State.

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There will be local interest in the announcement that Madame Nordica will tour a number of the larger Southern cities the latter part of March. Wilmington, however, is not included in her itinerary. In Jacksonville, Fla., the famous artist will appear under the auspices of the Ladies' Friday Musicale.

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A very pleasant and enjoyable masquerade party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pleasants on Friday evening, at which quite a number of little tots enjoyed an evening as only happy and innocent children can, who have not become satiated with pleasure, and who have not reached the blase stage of life.

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The annual meeting of the Colonial Dames will be held next Wednesday week, March 7th. It is earnestly desired that there shall be a full attendance at this meeting as the annual election for officers will be held and at the same time delegates to the bi-ennial meeting of the Dames, which will be held in Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Milton Elliott, formerly of this city, but now of Norfolk, gave an attractive supper Tuesday evening at his apartments in honor of Miss Gertrude Camm, of Richmond. His guests were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shield, Colonel and Mrs. George C. Cabell, Jr., Miss Camm and Mr. Frank H. Willcox.

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A matter of much concern to L'Arioso and L'Agile Clubs is the possibility of the Masonic Temple ball room's being used for purposes next season which will prevent dances being given in it. Society must have a ball room and some arrangement will, of course, be made before the opening of the next season.

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The quartette of St. James' choir, which is composed of Mrs. Anne DeRosset Harris, Mrs. Greene Fenley, Mr. Greene Fenley and Mr. Alex. S. Holden, will sing in St. Andrew's church this evening. Mr. E. H. Munson will preside at the organ and it goes without saying that the music will be unusually sweet and impressive.

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Invitations have been received to the Eleventh Anniversary of the Ladies Missionary Society, of New Hope Presbyterian church, Brunswick county, which event will take place on the 27 inst., at the hospitable home of Mr. Jackson Johnson. The event will be a "weighty" party and the manner in which the invitations are gotten up is altogether unique and skillful.

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Mr. and Mrs. Julius C. Schwartz arrived in Wilmington the past week from a three months' tour abroad. While in Wilmington they are guests at the home of Mrs. Schwartz's father, Mr. C. H. Dock. They expect to leave to-day for their home in Savannah, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz were among the guests at the Howard Relief Club anniversary celebration on Wednesday night.

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Mrs. Walker Taylor entertained very delightfully on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Burruss Corprew, of "Edgewater," near Norfolk, Va. In the parlors of the beautifully appointed home were vases holding pretty flowers which added a touch of beauty to the scene. There were four tables of six-hand euchre and at the conclusion of the games a delicious luncheon was served.

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A very delightful entertainment it was which was given by Mrs. Robt. C. DeRosset Thursday afternoon and evening. Cards were the form of amusement, while social conversation added much to the pleasure of guests. Beautiful flowers decorated the rooms and the guests will carry with them very pleasant recollections of Mrs. DeRosset's Washington's Birthday card party.

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Charlotte Observer: "Miss Sudie Scott charmingly entertained a number of her friends at her home on East Morehead street last evening from 8 to 11. Miss Bessie Burkheimer won the first prize and Miss Minetta Diffey, the consolation. Little Misses Gladys and Livingston Scott, Marie McKinley and Dell Hood were the punchers. A delightful salad course luncheon was served."

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Invitations have been received which read as follows: "Mr. and Mrs. William Louis Bird request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Sadie Estelle Waldron, to Mr. John Worde Caldwell, on the morning of Monday, the twenty-sixth of February, at seven o'clock, Virginia and Mulberry streets, Goldsboro, North Carolina." They will make their future home in Southport.

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A popular visitor in Jacksonville, Fla., has been Mrs. William White Harriss, of Charlotte, N. C., since the beginning of her pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Carl VanDeman, nee Miss Annie Waldo. Last Tuesday Mrs. VanDeman gave a very pretty bridge party in her honor. The house was beautifully decorated with bride's roses and the prizes were pretty articles in Japanese ware. The guest of honor prize went to Mrs. Harriss.

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From the Society page of the Savannah Morning News: "Mrs. T. Hall McKoy, of Wilmington, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. B. Harris, 709 Barnard street.——Mrs. Owen S. Willey has sent out invitations for a card party and Dutch supper Tuesday evening for Miss Holland, of Philadelphia, at her home in the Park View apartments. The invitations are quite unique, hand-painted and in the shape of a Dutch shoe."

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The following is from the Society Page of the Atlanta News last Monday: "Mis Harriet Orr gave a delightful surprise party Friday evening in honor of Miss Frances Carter. Miss Orr's guests included Miss Anais Cay, Miss Roline Clarke, Miss Mabel Powers, Miss Alice Borden, of Wilmington; Mrs. Steward, Mr. Travis Huff, Mr. John Glenn, Mr. John C. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Robert Ryan, Mr. Myron Freeman, Mr. Toulman Williams, Mr. Lee Jordan and Mr. Dave Kirkland."

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Some one, evidently in a facetious mood, wishes to know "what clothes should a man wear at a wedding and what fee should he pay the preacher?" No matter whose wedding it is, his own, or a man's, he should wear his own clothes. As to the fee which is usually given the minister, we cannot say, but if the inquirer is short on cash, the Society Editor, who is a magistrate, will perform the ceremony free of charge, which will tie him up as tight as any minister could for a twenty dollar fee.

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"The Afternoon Euchre Club" was most charmingly entertained yesterday by Mrs. B. Maurice Chiswell. Jonquils, narcissus, and other flowers of the season gave a breath of early spring to the pretty apartments and tempting light refreshments were served. The guests were Mrs. Frank L. Huggins, Miss Anna Cantwell, Mrs. Chas. E. Taylor, the Misses Gibson, Mrs. Morrison W. Divine, Mrs. Robt. H. Northrop, Mrs. Harry Woollcott, Mrs. A. Dallam O'Brien, Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Mrs. Jno. M. Walker, Miss Sarah Lippitt Mrs. Anne DeRosset Harris, Miss Lilla Bellamy, and Miss Annie Harrison.

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A Palm Beach special from that favorite Florida resort says: "Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, General Schofield, Miss Bearney, Miss Bolles, Miss Kenan, H. W. Merrill and Robert Parsons made a trip on Thursday forenoon to Homestead in Mr. Flagler's private car, returning to the Royal Palm at the noon hour. In the afternoon the party took a sail up the Miami river to the rapids. On their return they left the launch at Gen. S. C. Lawrence's landing, where carriages were waiting. The party then enjoyed a long carriage drive over the smooth rock roads, visting some of the thrifty young orange groves which abound in that section. Mr. and Mrs. Flagler and party returned to Palm Beach in the evening."

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Miss Mary Baldwin Mitchell, a Wilmington young lady at the State Normal and Industrial College in Greensboro, although a first-year student and one of the youngest members of her class, has been signally honored in her appointment as one of the student-delegates from that splendid institution to the International Student Volunteer Convention, which meets in Nashville, Tenn., February 24th to May 4th. Miss Mitchell was one of the first honor graduates at the Wilmington High School last year and her many friends here will be delighted to know that she has taken a very high stand at the State Normal, and will complete her course there with equally the distinction she won during her High School course here.

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Mrs. Jessie Kenan Wise entertained very charmingly, the card club of which she is a member, on Tuesday afterday afternoon, beautiful flowers in handsome vases being the simple touches of additional beauty to a well appointed home. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Carmichael, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Dick, Miss Elliott Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas S. Grainger, Mr. and Mrs. J. Victor Grainger, Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacRae, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. H. Gouverneur, Miss Lucile Murchison, Miss Sue McQueen, Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Miss Martha Williams, Miss MacRae, Mrs. Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., Mrs. Burruss Corprew, Mr. and Mrs. Thos W. Davis, Mr. Albert S. Williams, Mr. Thos. H. Wright, Mr. Richard Bradley, and Mr. Thos. B. Willard.

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Mr. A. H. Fenn, the golf expert of Poland Springs, Me., who is pleasantly remembered for his having spent a month here with the Cape Fear Golf Club earlier in the season, broke the professional record on the links at Palm Beach, Fla., last week with a score of 64 and made the second round in 73. Mr. Fenn and Andrew Kirkaldy, the Scotch champion, who made the two rounds in 6 8 and 69, divided second money, and Alexander Herd and Rowland Jones, English professionals of note, divided third money, each making the two rounds in 68 and 71. A Palm Beach correspondent says: "Fenn broke the record for professionals on the course. Travis for amateurs. The scene made was most picturesque, a large gallery of spectators following the players during the entire day with almost breathless interest. Travis played a characteristic game, carefully painstaking and reserved. The day was bright and the game intensely exciting.

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A society correspondent writing from the Royal Palm Hotel at Palm Beach, Fla., has the following of interest here: "After months of work with a score of men, the Royal Palm grill room has been completed and was used for the first time on the evening of St. Valentine's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, Gen. Schofield, Miss Barney, Miss Bolles and Miss Kenan came down from Palm Beach, and enjoyed a St. Valentine dinner in the new grill room. Manager Merrill is especially happy over the completion of this room. It is located under the ball room, on the south side of the hotel, and is reached by a magnificent oak stairway from the ball room; also there is an entrance from the outside. The room is finished in black cypress, has a red tile floor and is lighted by a score or more of electric lights. It is said that this is the finest grill room in all the South. Its furnishings are complete and of the richest material. Potted plants, palms and flowering plants add greatly to its beauty."

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A wedding of local interest was celebrated in Charlotte Tuesday when Miss Virginia Clark became the bride of Mr. Edwin W. Bruton, of Clarkton. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Clark, on Kinston avenue, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. H. K. Boyer, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist church. The home was tastefully decorated for the occasion with palms and ferns. The bride wore gray crepe de chine and carried bride's roses. Her only ornament was a pearl brooch, the gift of the groom. Her going-away gown was of navy blue silk and she wore a hat to match. The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Meta Clark, who wore white silk, trimmed with duchesse lace, and a pink girdle, and carried pink carnations and roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Mattie Bruton, of Wadeville, who wore white organdie over silk, and a Persian girdle, and carried pink carnations and roses. The best man was Mr. O. C. Bruton, of Mt. Gilead, a brother of the groom. Mr. James Wooten, of Clarkton, was the groomsman. Mr. and Mrs. Bruton left last night for Mt. Gilead, where they will visit Mr. Bruton's parents. They will be at home at Clarkton after March 1.

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ON THE GOLF LINKS

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

All that a beautiful, bright, sunny day could lend to outdoor pleasures, gave a zest to the Washington Birthday mixed foursome over the links of the Country Club which resulted in a tie between Mrs. Hugh MacRae, playing with Mr. Richard Bradley, and Mrs. E. H. Silliman with Mr. Chas. McMillen, on a very creditable score of 49 with the handicap. A very handsome luncheon was served by the ladies of the club and in addition, an old-fashioned Southern oyster roast was had on the grounds with which was served "olives and other things," to use the expression of a very sweet and pretty young woman who told us of it, and who described the meet as being one of unusual interest and pleasure. Those who entered the contest were Miss Mary Calder and Mr. Robtert H. Gwaltney, Mrs. J. Victor Grainger and Mr. A. S. Williams, Mrs. Hugh MacRae and Mr. Richard Bradley, Mrs. Annie Northrop and Mr. Chas. E. Taylor; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Grainger, Miss Mary Allan Short and Mr. Geo. Rountree, Miss MacRae and Mr. Donald MacRae, Miss Frances Chadbourn and Mr. Jno. K. Williams, Mr. Chas. McMillen and Mrs. E. H. Silliman.

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

ON U. S. SEMINOLE.

The ward room of the U. S. S. Seminole was tastefully and beautifully decorated with flags on Thursday evening, the occasion being an exceedingly pretty and pleasant Washington's Birthday Party, given by Lieutenant and Mrs. Charles W. Cairnes. Old Glory hung in graceful folds from the sides of the room and was caught here and there with small hatchets, carrying out very suggestively the idea of the birthday party, while small vases holding pretty flowers added a charm to the beautiful surroundings. Six-handed euchre was played the score card being hand-painted shields of the stars and stripes. From each shield hung ten small flags, one of which was given by the loser at the end of each hand to his or her opponent. Very tempting refreshments were served. Lieutenant and Mrs. Cairnes' invitation list was Miss Madeline DeRosset, Miss Tallulah DeRosset, Miss Amy Harlow, Miss Frances Chadbourn, Miss Louise Harlow, Miss Mildred Davis, Miss Heloise Beebe, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Northrop, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly D. Beebe, Capt. and Mrs. John H. Quinan, Miss May Beverly French, Lieut. and Mrs. B. Maurice Chiswell, Miss Carrie Wright, Mr. A. B. BanBuren, Mr. Thomas H. Wright, Mr. Champ McD. Davis, and Lieutenants Crapster, Young, Adams and Reinberg.

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ENTERTAINMENT BY THE DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY.

The rooms of the Daughters of the Confederacy in the armory building of the Wilmington Light Infantry were beautifully decorated on Monday with Southern amilax, palms, ferns and Confederate flags, the occasion being the first of a series of social meetings which will be given by the Chapter. More than sixty members attended the inaugural social afternoon, which had been delightfully planned for by the committee in charge which was composed as follows: Mrs. F. E. Owen, chairman; Mrs. J. Wallace Carmichael, Mrs. F. L. Huggins, Misses Julia Parsley, Bessie Gore, Ida Brown, Jane Meares, Louise Bunting, Eliza Metts, Jeannie Peck and Mary Calder. Mrs. Kate DeRosset Meares added very much to the pleasure of the occasion by a recital of the heroism of the women of Wilmington during the closing scenes of the Civil War. She was warmly applauded and thanked at the conclusion of her remarks. During the afternoon a well arranged programme of musical numbers was rendered, Miss Ida Brown being the accompanist. Mrs. F. A. Lord gave a spirited rendition of Dixie; Mrs. E. K. Bryan and Mrs. Cameron F. MacRae charmingly entertained with solos and Master Fred Hale contributed much to the enjoyment of the party with a well played violin solo. "The Sword of Robert E. Lee" was splendidly given as a recitation by Master Stone Pulliam.

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IN HONOR OF MISS WRIGHT

AND MR. A. J. VANBUREN.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Wright entertained on Friday evening in honor of Miss Carrie Wright and Mr. Arthur J. VanBuren whose marriage will take place soon after Easter. Handsome decorations which carried out the color scheme of pink and green lent a charm to the occasion and added much to the effectiveness of the happy scene. Very elegant refreshments of salads, ices and punch, with the usual accompaniments of each course, were served. The score cards were "Colonial," from which were suspended souvenirs of hatchets and cherries. A delightful evening was spent by the guests who were Miss Wright and Mr. VanBuren, Mrs. Robt. Strange, Miss Deane, of Richmond, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Robt. G. Rankin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Woollcott, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. H. Northrop, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Stedman, Miss Frances Chadbourn, Miss Mary Borden, Miss Emma Northrop, Miss Hattie Whitaker, Miss Leonora Cantwell, Miss Eliza French, Miss Louise Bunting, Miss Mary Allan Short, Miss Mildred Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Costin, Mr. C. McDavis, Mr. Geo. Davis, Mr. R. A. Williams, Mr. Swift P. Boatwright, Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., Mr. Jno. B. Peschau, Mr. Leon Southerland, Mr. J. F. Roache, of Richmond, Va., and Mr. Thos. H. Wright.

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MISS LILLIE SEARS

DELIGHTFULLY ENTERTAINED.

Miss Lilile Sears entertained very charmingly the past week in honor of Miss Nellie Whetstone, of Norfolk, Va. The color scheme of pink and white was appropriately carried out in the pretty decorations which added a touch of beauty to the rooms. Progressive whist was the feature of the evening and the prize, a handsome box of Huyler's, was awarded to Mr. Zack Bell, while the booby prize, a bottle of "ketchup" tied with red ribbon, fell to Mr. Will Gore. As an interesting innovation to the evening's pleasure a cut picture contest was held which was won by Miss Sudie Mills, who was presented with a pretty stick pin as a souvenir of the occasion. Very tempting refreshments were served and Miss Sears was assisted by Miss Maibelle Sneed, Mrs. Ambrose, of Norfolk, Va., Miss Edna Toomer and Miss Bessie Sears. Miss Sears' guests were Miss Mary Post, Miss Nellie Whetstone, of Norfolk; Miss Bessie McLaurin, of Bennettsville, S. C.; Miss Sudie Mills, Mrs. Allan G. Lynn, of Richmond, Va.; Miss Jennie Ambrose, of Norfolk; Miss Ellen Gregory, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson Wood, Miss Fay McManus, Misses Maibelle and Ray Sneed, Miss Thurber Gore, Miss Annie Lamb, of Goldsboro; Miss Alice Fishblate, Miss Edna Toomer, Miss Bessie Sears, Mr. Clarence Mills, Mr. Harry Crosswell, Mr. Tom Gause, Mr. Jas. F. Post, Jr., Mr. Newton Gillican, Mr. Will Gore, Mr. Silas Smith, Mr. Clinton Smith, Mr. Jas. Gause, Mr. C. G. McMillen, Mr. Jos. H. Armstrong, Mr. W. H. Moore, Mr. Zack Bell, Mr. Thos. R. Orrell, Mr. Neil S. Morse, Mr. Norwood Orrell, Mr. Will Peschau and Mr. Ernest Peschau.

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WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY PARTY

BY MRS. BURRUSS CORPREW.

Mrs. Burruss Corprew's well known reputation as a most charming and agreeable hostess has had new laurels added, by the Washington Birthday entertainment given by her on Friday morning in honor of Miss MacRae, of Hackensack, New Jersey; Mrs. Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., Lockport, N. Y., and Mrs. Thos. W. Davis, of this city. The Burruss home had been decorated with simple elegance, in which a profusion of beautiful flowers gracefully arranged in pretty vases were conspicious features of the well arranged and tastefully appointed rooms. One who attended the entertainment characterized it as "the swellest entertainment of the season." On a marble table was a large paper pie from which hung ribbons of red, white and blue to the ends of which were the place cards and as each ribbon was pulled from the pie souvenirs of hatchets, cherries, and cocked hats fell to the guests. The guests of honor, Miss MacRae, Mrs. Kenan and Mrs. Davis were given as a neat little mark of distinction large bunches of Palma violets. A very elaborate course luncheon was served, the ices being in hatchets, cherries, three-cornered hats and other appropriate designs carrying out very charmingly the Washington idea. In addition to the guests of honor, Mrs. Corprew's guests were: Mrs. Geo. B. Elliott, Mrs. R. C. DeRosset, Mrs. Thos. W. Davis, Mrs. Robt. P. Johnston, Miss Lizzie Peck, Mrs. Jesse Kenan Wise, Mrs. Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., Miss Sue McQueen, Mrs. Wm. A. Dick, Mrs. J. Wallace Carmichael, Miss May Beverly French, Mrs. Robt. H. Northrop, Mrs. Harry S. Sleicher, Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Mrs. J. Victor Grainger, Mrs. Donald MacRae, Mrs. C. S. Grainger, Miss Lucile Murchison, Mrs. Frederick W. Dick, Mrs. M. F. Heiskell Gouverneur, Mrs. Annie Northrop, Mrs. Geo. Rountree and Mrs. Walker Taylor.

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PRETTY ENTERTAINMENT

HONOR OF MISS WALKER.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Walker, on South Second street, was beautifully decorated with a profusion of Southern amilax, sago palms, handsome ferns and beautiful flowers, on Monday afternoon and evening, the occasion having been an elaborate reception in honor of their daughter, Miss Marguerite Walker, one of the fairest and most popular of the season's debutantes. The decorations added much to the beauty and effectiveness of the animated scene of pleasure and while elaborate in a way, were very pleasing and were only such as could have been arranged by the deft hand and excellent taste of charming people. The parlors were decorated with white carnations and narcissus, the delicate perfume giving a suggestion of early Spring, so symbolical of the young life of the debutante. In this room, in the afternoon, were Mrs. John M. Walker and Miss Marguerite Walker, receiving their guests with inborn graciousness being assisted by Mrs. William Lippitt, Miss Sarah Lippitt, Mrs. Paul L. Cantwell and Mrs. Martin S. Willard. In the evening Miss Walker, surrounded by her young friends, Miss Daisy Burbank, Miss Alice LeGrand, Miss Jeannie Murchison, Miss Mellie Cotchett and Miss Maria Mafitt, who are also debutantes of the season, gowned in becoming dresses of white, presented a picture which will long be remembered by those who can now think of such scenes only as in the past. In the sitting room adjoining the parlors, the decorations were daffodils, smilax and small ferns. In this room Mrs. George G. Thomas presided over the punch bowl and served a most excellent brew. The ladies who assisted and floated were Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Mrs. Martin S. Willard, Mrs. Robert Strange, Mrs. Ancrum Lord, Mrs. A. C. Kenly, Mrs. Anne DeRosset Harris, Miss Deane, of Richmond, Va., Miss McNeely, of Salisbury, N. C.; Miss Bessie Burruss, Miss Tallulah DeRosset, Miss Lucy Bridgers, and Miss Louise Bellamy. Banks of pink carnations formed the centre piece of the table in the dining room and beautiful vases holding pretty flowers were the decorations. The servers of the refreshments, salads in the crispest and tenderest lettuce leaves and ices in pink carnations, were Miss Amoret Lord, Miss Theo. Cantwell, Miss Nellie Durham, Miss Annie Hill Holmes, Miss Margaret Bridgers, Miss Madeline DeRosset, Miss Elovine Burruss and Miss Helen Clark. Miss Walker's "coming-out" reception was the largest and most elaborate function of the week. The invitation list contained the names of over four hundred society people.

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COMMENDABLE EFFORT

BY COLONIAL DAMES.

The North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames is making an especial effort to raise a fund sufficient for erecting a monument in this city to the memory of Revolutionary heroes. Under date of Feb 19th Mrs. James Sprunt of this city sent out the following circular to all Dames in this State:

North Carolina Society
of
Colonial Dames of America.
Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 19, 1906.

In accordance with the patriotic sentiments expressed in the preamble of the constitution of the Society of the Colonial Dames of America, it is the chief end of our North Carolina Society to perpetuate by a suitable monument the heroic names and deeds of North Carolinians who, having forsaken all that was attractive to the civilized mind, led a colony, and founded a State in the wilderness which was made to blossom by the patient toil of the pioneer, and later, to become famous by the foremost deeds of the Revolution.

A suitable commanding site has been granted by the city of Wilmington, and a most acceptable design with specifications for the monument has been presented by an eminent New York architect. Fifteen hundred dollars has been raised, but a much larger sum is needed; in order, therefore, to meet this requirement, a special meeting of the Society was called February 7th, and a resolution was unanimously adopted for the levy of an assessment of One Dollar on each member, and the Society hopes that larger voluntary donations will be given for the accomplishment of this historic work.

On the 19th of April next the Sons of the Cincinnati will visit Wilmington to view the restorative and commemorative work of the Dames at the Colonial Church of St. Philip and elsewhere, and it is our earnest desire to distinguish this occasion by the laying of the corner-stone of our monument in the presence of this patriotic body of men. All non-resident members of the North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames are cordially invited to be present and to participate in this important ceremony, as a full record of the names of all attendants will be perpetuated upon our official register.

Let us not be unmindful of those to whom we owe our birthright. They wrested from the unbroken and unwilling earth the first fruits of our inheritance; they bore the toil and hardships of a life which brought us comparative ease and affluence; it was their rectitude, their courage and their self-denial that prepared the way for success which gained for our country its Liberty and Constitution. It is not enough to be proud of the achievements of our ancestors; all nations have had their heroes. We may arouse to nobler endeavor those who shall come after us to serve the State in future conflicts, by leaving for their inspiration enduring monuments of our gratitude for the heroic deeds of our forefathers. To this end we earnestly ask your co-operation.

All replies and contributions should be sent promptly to

MRS. JAMES SPRUNT,
Wilmington, North Carolina.

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SEABOARD
Air Line Railway.

Passenger Department.

The Seaboard Announces the Following Special Rates Account of Special Occasions Under Rules and Conditions Given Below.

New Orleans, La., Pensacola, Fla., Mobile, Ala.—Mardi Gras, Feb. 21st-March 3rd, tickets sold Feb. 21st to 26th, final limit March 3rd with privilege of extension until March 17th. Rate one fare plus 25 cents for round trip.

Richmond, Va.—True Reformers, Rosebud Convention, Feb. 26th-27th, tickets sold Feb. 21st to 25th on certificate plan basis.

Louisville, Ky.—Account Department of Superintendence, National Educational Association, Feb. 27th-March 1st. Rate of one fare plus 25 cents for round trip, tickets sold Feb. 24th, 25th, 26th, final limit, March 4th.

Old Point Comfort, Va.—National Supply and Machinery Dealers' Association, Feb. 14th-16th, rate of one and one-third first-class fares plus 25 cents has been authorized.

For further information address,
C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A.,
Raleigh, N. C.

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To make difficulties of trifles is the common tendency. Want advertising enables one to make trifles of difficulties.

"As Ye Advertise (so shall ye prosper)" is as good store-law as is "As Ye Sow (so shall ye reap)" good moral law.

NOTES OF NOTABLES.

The Duke of Argyll is endeavoring to acclimatize wild Canadian turkeys and geese on the shores of Loch Fyne, Argyllshire.

Russell Hollister, seventy-two years old, is the only living member of Henry Ward Beecher's first charge at Lawrenceburg, Ind.

Despite his great success and wealth, Richard Croker is said to be disappointed and imbittered over his failure to become a national Democratic leader.

Samuel Burwell founded the West Union (O.) Scion in 1853 and is still its editor and manager. It was in this office that the late Colonel John A. Cockerill learned the rudiments of journalism.

Horace Day of New Haven, Conn., owns the complete bedchamber set that belonged to Lord Percy, who commanded the re-enforcements of the British troops at Lexington on April 19, 1775.

The death has just occurred near Southend, England, of Alfred Matthews, aged seventy-eight, a naval veteran who was present throughout the siege of Sevastopol and fired the first gun in the siege.

Frank Brett Noyes, who has been president of the Associated Press since 1900, is only thirty-nine years of age. He is also in full control of one of the most successful newspapers, the Chicago Record-Herald.

Wellington E. Parkhurst of Clinton, Mass., brother of Rev. Charles H. Parkhurst of New York, has an interesting collection of autographs of public men dating as far back as 1808 and numbering more than 400.

Rev. T. J. Dickson, who left Kansas City to become an army chaplain in the Philippines, has made such a success as governor of the province of Ambos Camarines that he has been re-elected to the office by popular vote.

Former Assemblyman Peter B. Fairchild of Orange, N. J., has in his possession four official documents signed respectively by the first four governors of New Jersey. The first commission, made out to his great-grandfather, is nearly 117 years old, having been issued on April 4, 1785.

John Hays, a close friend of President McKinley, has just died in Cleveland at the age of ninety-seven. He opened the first copper mines in the Lake Superior district and interested the Hanna family in the mining district of the upper lakes. He was a Pennsylvanian by birth.

FRUITS AND FLOWERS.

It is rarely good economy to set a young tree where an old one has died.

Put a flock of hens in the plum orchard, and the trees will be much less infested with curculio.

If trees from a distance are partly dry when received, bury them for a week, top and all, in finely pulverized moist soil to restore them.

Follow nature instead of trying to circumvent or improve upon her. The best flowers and the most satisfactory results are secured in this manner.

The winds should be considered when deciding where and how to set flowers. A narrow, drafty place is trying to delicate varieties, and flowers which "lose their heads" easily should never be asked to live in a gale.

The common pumpkin vine is splendid for long distance decoration. The huge, yellow, trumpet shaped blossoms stand out across an entire garden. Against dark paint or gray old buildings the effect is delightful.

Hard Luck.

Mr. Kidder—You must be very much discouraged.

Miss E. Zee—Why?

Mr. Kidder—It's quite some time since you read your graduation essay, and Mr. Roosevelt has not taken your advice on how to run the country yet.—San Francisco Call.

Develop a Suburb

THE AMERICAN SUBURBAN CORPORATION.

There is no agency which contributes more to the physical growth of a town or city or the wealth and happiness of its people than a first-class, up-to-date suburban settlement. Wilmington for many years has been behind other progressive cities in this respect, but there is gratification in the fact that within a very few months the city is to enjoy the benefits of the establishment very near its corporate limits of a beautiful suburban settlement which will entail the expenditure of a large amount of money and will provide a place where persons of moderate means may enjoy all the comforts and conveniences of a country home with easy access to business or profession in the city.

Reference is made to the recent purchase and the intended development of the admirably located Wright property in the southeastern section of the city by The American Suburban Corporation of Norfolk, Va., the largest developers of high-class suburban real estate in the South. The property consists of 68 acres and was purchased at a cost of $20,000. It is learned that with almost a certainty the property will be confirmed as a sale to the Norfolk concern and that at once work will be commenced on the development of the place. Streets and sidewalks are to be laid out and sewerage and water works provided for he purchasers of building sites on the premises." It is said that $25,000 will be expended in this development before an inch of the land is offered for sale. The development of this suburb and the Norfolk developers will receive every encouragement of the people of the city.

The Wright property lies south of Market street extended from Seventeenth street to what is known as Sweetwater branch and is well drained and susceptible to great improvement in the way of drainage, etc., toward the east. In time it is the purpose of the promoters of the suburban settlement to get a trolley car connection so that residents there will have only ten minutes to any part of the city.

The American Suburban Corporation has its home office in 31 Chamberlain Building, Norfolk, and has been engaged in the development of high class suburban property for ten or more years. Mr. W. D. Pender is president of the corporation and Mr. E. W. Wolcot, treasurer. Mr. Pender writes that if the sale is confirmed to his corporation, the company will come to Wilmington prepared to make expenditures that will develop one of the handsomest places in the South.

The American Suburban Corporation first began its endeavors in the development of "Park Place," in Norfolk, in the year 1897 and that is now one of the leading suburbs of that great South Atlantic port. Following in 1898, "Virginia Place" was developed in Norfolk. The next effort was "Willoughby Beach," now one of the leading seaside recorts at Ocean View, Va., in 1899. In 1900 "Kensington" in Norfolk, was developed.

It was in the year 1904 that the Corporation, having exhausted the local field, began to reach out for other fields "to conquer." Chicora Place" in Charleston, S. C., was developed that year, and in 1905 "Park Place," in Richmond, Va., was made "a thing of beauty and a joy forever" for many investors in that now popular resort. Many Wilmington people are acquainted with the development of "Piedmont Heights" in Greensboro, N. C., which was undertaken only last year. "Riverside He

By Rail and Water

W. T. Hadlow & Co., have been awarded the contract for the big terminal improvements the Seaboard Air Line will make in Jacksonville, Fla.

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Harriman roads are not alone in tests of gasoline motors. A car being tried experimentally by the Pennsylvania railroad on the branch line between Westchester and Frazier, Pa., is reported to have made seventy miles an hour in the test.

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Announcement has been made that the Norfolk and Western Railway Company has placed an order for 2,500 gondola cars with the South Baltimore Steel Car and Foundry Company. This plant has now in hand orders from the Baltimore and Ohio for 2,500 cars and from the Fairmount and Somerset Coal Companies for 3,000. These, with the last big order and minor contracts made from time to time, assure steady employment for its force of workmen for many months ahead.

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General Manager W. M. Legg, of the Georgia, Florida and Alabama railway, has resigned, his severance with the company to take place March 1. W. B. Denham, former general superintendent of the Plant system, and assistant to the third vice president of the Atlantic Coast Line, succeeds him It is not known what are Mr. Legg's future plans. Before going with the Georgia, Florida and Alabama he was with the Georgia Southern and Florida at Macon. Directors of the Georgia, Florida and Alabama will meet March 6 to merge their road with the Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Gulf.

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It has been estimated by conservative business men that the coast squadron, which recently sailed from Charleston for the Gulf, after spending almost three months in and around Charleston, left about $75,000 in that city. The contracts let last November to Charleston men shortly before the arrival of the squadron called for 130,000 pounds of meat, 3,000 pounds of cheese, 12,000 pounds of butter, 130,000 pounds of fresh vegetables, 4,000 pounds of sauer kraut and 100,000 pounds of bread. There are about 2,000 men in the squadron.

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In the Superior Court at Newbern N. C., last week Frank Abbott secured a judgment against the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company for $2,000. Abbott is a young man who on November 16, 1904, was thrown under a train of the defendant company by a negro, who has served a term in the penitentiary for his act. Abbott subsequently brought suit against the company, charging in the complaint that the train was exceeding the speed ordinance, going within the city limits at the rate of six miles an hour while the ordinance limits them to four miles.

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The Chicago and Northwestern Railway investigated the cost of stopping certain trains, and found that stopping a train of 530 tons and returning it to a speed of fifty miles an hour costs 42 cents. The cost of stopping a 2,000-ton train from thirty-five miles an hour was estimated to be $1. Another road estimated each stop of a six-car pasenger train from forty-five miles an hour to be 35 cents and for a 1,500-ton freight train from fifteen miles per hour as 56 cents. The time lost for making a stop on a straight, level track was estimated at 145 seconds.

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President Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, will award contracts Monday or Tuesday for a large amount of additional double-tracking and improvement of the road in Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky. In speaking of the matter, President Stevens said: "The Chesapeake and Ohio has arranged for additional second track and has invited bids for the contracts. The tracks referred to, together with that started last year and uncompleted, makes a total of about 135 miles, of which twenty miles is east of Richmond and the remainder in West Virginia and Kentucky."

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The Atlantic Coast Line had the honor of hauling the special Pullman palace car Elysian in which Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth travelled on their Southern bridal tour to Port Tampa the past week. To Mr. Frank C. Boylston, division passenger agent of the Coast Line, who sent his card in to Mr. Longworth at Jacksonville, the groom said that he had greatly enjoyed his trip through the South, and was pleased with the courtesies shown him by the railroad men. The couple arrived at Port Tampa at 10:30 P. M. and at once boarded the steamer for Havana.

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It is stated that the East Coast Railway Company will bring no more laborers South for the present for work on the Key West extension. There are now four thousand men, all white, engaged in the extension work and they are giving entire satisfaction and progressing rapidly with the grading, etc. The majority of them are Irishmen accustomed to such work and the life attending it. They are satisfied with the employment and treatment and the company has every belief it will be able to retain the greater majority of them through the Summer and until the work shall have been completed.

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A Key West, Florida, correspondent learns from a reliable source that hurry orders have been given for the material needed in the construction of the mammoth docks and terminals of the Florida East Coast at that point. Work is expected to begin within a short time. The plans accepted by Mr. Flagler call for the largest and best equipped docks in the world owned by one corporation. That it will be expensive may be readily imagined when it is known that every inch of the land to be used for the tracks, warehouses and terminal station is now covered with from five to twenty-five feet of water, and is nearly a mile from the present shore line The work to be done in the harbor will be a marvel of engineering skill, entailing the expenditure of millions of dollars and giving employment to a small army of men for years.

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The semi-annual meeting of rate clerks of the Southeastern Pasenger Association was held in the rooms in the Equitable building in Atlanta last week, at which time the matter of making special rates for the coming Summer were under discussion. It is understood that no departure from the rates in force last Summer is expected. Those in attendance at the meeting yesterday were L. M. Hutchinson, of the Frisco; C. A. Merrill, of the Illionois Central; J. Scheiber, of the Texas Pacific; G. D. Langston, of the Mobile and Ohio; F. C. Payne, of the Central of Georgia; R. S. Parker, of the Atlantic Coast Line; W. I. Lightfoot, of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis; General Agent of the Pasenger Department C. C. McMillan, of the Georgia railroad; C. A. Kline, of the Southern railway; Joseph Higgins, of the West Point route; J. F. Monroe, of the Southern Pacific, and C. J. Lieber, of the Louisville and Nashville.

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From a recent statement by the Texas railroad commission showing the total number of miles traveled on free passes over the railroads of the State during the last fiscal year, says the Railway Age, we are able to figure out the following percentages for the different classes of pass-holders: Exchange transportation to officials, agents and employes of other roads, including express and telegraph companies and steamship lines, 19.6 per cent.; by employes of the roads and members of their families, 54.8 per cent.; on account of newspaper advertising, 8.2 per cent.; by public officials clerks and other members of the United States, county and municipal governments, 7.1 per cent.; by other persons, including clergymen, mendicants and representatives of religious and philanthropic objects, 10 per cent. It will be seen that nearly two thirds of the free traveling was done by officers or employes of transportation lines, that one-tenth represents the aid by railways to religious and charitable work, and that while all the newspaper and other publications in the State were doing one-fourteenth of the free travel in exchange for advertising, about one-twelfth of the entire mileage was chargeable to public officials, from village servants up to representatives of the United States. It is evident that a law to preevnt office-holders from accepting free transportation would not be favored by Texas lawmakers.

—Elizabeth City Special, February 20: Reports that Leo. Thurman, the murderer of Dolsen, is playing hide and seek between this city and Edenton, in the vicinity of Bell Cross, Camden county, have excited this community. The officers of this city and Edenton, with armed posses have scoured the woods in the hope of running against the wanted man. It is said that one of Sheriff Norman's posse, accompanied by two negroes, met Thurman in the woods. They were armed with an axe, a Winchester and a lightwood knot. When they met him, it is said, Thurman faced the trio, both hands in his hip pockets as he stared straight into the face of the white man. On this they say that the white man backed down and said, "It's not the man," and the negroes said, "Let's go, boss," and they "lit."

—New Bern Journal: The great scarcity of fish is a topic much discussed and various theories are advanced to account for it. The latest heard was offered Tuesday by an old and well known colored huckster. He said that it was all on account of "dose" hear fussy gasoline boats, what went up the creeks and small streams and drove 'em into de deep water," and further suggested that the frequented stirring of the water disturbed the spawn causing it to float away into wide water where its fertility was destroyed.

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RIVER AND HARBOR TRAFFIC

Accurate and Reliable Information Should be Furnished Engineer,s Office—An Important Item.

In the early part of each year circulars are sent out from the U. S. Engineer Office at Wilmington, or from the Sub-office at Newbern, requesting all parties who have handled any commerce on any of the navigable waters of the State to report the character and quantity of such commerce.

We are informed that a number of the parties to whom such circulars were sent this year have not yet replied and that the figures sent in by some other parties are such as to indicate that the importance of these figures is not fully understood. Some few parties even take the ground that the business handled by them is their own affair and that the government has no right to pry into their business.

If the importance of these statistics are fully understood, these views would quickly disappear and all parties interested in the improvements of the rivers and harbors of the State would do all in their power to assist by submitting a complete and accurate statement of their shipments.

These statistics are of vital importance, because when Congress is asked to appropriate money for the improvement of any stream or harbor, one of the first questions asked is "How much commerce would be benefitted by such improvement?"

In fact the appropriation of money for the improvement of a waterway or harbor should depend and usually does depend on only three things. First, the cost; second, the cost of maintenance, and third, the amount of commerce to be benefitted. And the amount of the commerce is judged by the reports submitted every year by the U. S. Engineer Office. Of course, the imports and exports can be learned from the Custom House reports, but the domestic commerce can be learned only from the engineer reports.

No one should conclude from this that the thing to do is to make a good showing regardless of accuracy. This tendency is often displayed and, aside from the fact that it is dishonest, it really does more harm than good. The only safe course is for every man to see that he makes a complete and accurate report of the business he handle over the watercourse in question. Of course, absolute accuracy is often impracticable, for unfortunately many shippers do not keep any record of the materials transported. But, even in these cases, a moderately accurate estimate can be made if the matter is given enough thought and attention. A farmer often keeps no record of the number of bushels of potatoes or the number of pounds of cotton he raises, but he can generally estimate it with fair accuracy. And certainly it would be poor policy for him to report that he had produced five hundred or a thousand when everybody knows he produced less than a hundred.

Our readers are urged to take an active interest in this matter, so that the annual commercial statistics may be actual accurate and reliable statements, not merely rough guesses.

All parties who have not received blanks on which to report their statistics can get them by writing to the U. S. Engineer Office, Wilmintgon, N. C., or the U. S. Engineer Office, Newbern, N. C.

Warranty Deeds for sale at the Star Office.

How I Entered the Detective Field

[Original.]

The way I got into the detective business was this: One morning I took up a paper and read that John Mulholland, a farmer living on the Arlington road, had been found dead with a bullet in his heart. There was no clew to the murderer. I was out of a job at the time and made up my mind that I would test my natural bent for detective work by trying to unravel what appeared to be an insoluble problem. I went to the house and found the doctors engaged in extracting the bullet from the dead man's heart. I asked to see it and was permitted to do so. My reason for wishing to examine it was that I had always heard that every minutia in detective cases was important. The truth is I was green and didn't know how else to begin.

The bullet was of the usual conical shape. I looked it all over and noticed places where it had been rubbed or scratched. There were three of these marks, two near together, a third on the opposite side. It struck me that there had been some projection in the barrel of the pistol that had caused these scratches. If I could find the pistol that would make similar scratches on other bullets fired from it I could identify it as the weapon with which Mulholland had been killed. But no weapon had been found near the body. Stories about murderers leaving knives sticking in their victims or dropping pistols in their haste to get away are inventions. Murderers do a lot of things to incriminate themselves, but they're not so stupid as that.

I secured an interview with the murdered man's wife and asked her to tell me about every one that had had any connection with her husband during a year or so past. He had had trouble with the owner of an adjoining farm about the boundary. A tramp had been turned out of the barn a few days before the murder and had gone off muttering curses. A farm hand had been discharged, but an interval of three months had elapsed since the discharge; besides, the man had made no demonstration at the time.

Of the three my suspicions were for the tramp. I hadn't the means of scouring the country for him, so I went to the police and recommended them to do so. The tramp was hunted down and arrested. He had no pistol on him, but he had a pawn ticket. The pawnbroker where it was issued produced a silver watch that it stood for of little value. After the police had dropped the scent I went to the pawnbroker, hoping to elicit some clew. While we were chatting I stood leaning on a glass case containing pawned articles. Among them I noticed a pistol. It was a cheap, old fashioned article worth a few dollars. Something moved me to ask the broker who had pawned it. He said that the man was a negro. I asked the broker to let me look at the weapon, and he handed it to me. Taking it to a window where the sun was shining in, I looked into the barrel. Near the muzzle I noticed some spots of rust. There were two near together and one opposite.

Noting the caliber, I went out and got some cartridges to fit the pistol and, going into the back yard with it, fired a bullet into a barrel of water. When I examined the lead I found scratches on it exactly like those on the bullet that killed Mulholland. I fired several more bullets, and every one was marked exactly like the first.

Without saying a word to any one, I went to Mrs. Mulholland and asked her if her husband had ever had any trouble with a negro. At first she answered "No," but presently remembered that three years before a negro had stolen some clothing and Mulholland had been instrumental in sending him to the penitentiary. The negro was an ugly fellow, with a bad record. I hunted up his case and found that his time had expired and he had been released a few days before the murder.

At this point I made a grave mistake. I was not willing to give the police the benefit of my discovery, so I traced the negro myself and found him in a low negro dive. I swore out a warrant, had him arrested and in his pocket found a pawn ticket for the pistol I had discovered.

I then made out the papers accusing the prisoner of the murder of John Mulholland. The police, who had in the first place resented my interference, trented me with withering contempt.

"Young feller," said the chief, "when you've been mixed up with criminals as long as I have you'll learn that it's one thing to suspect a man or even to know he's the one you want and another to prove it. It's just such men as you that cost the state money spent uselessly."

I made no reply, biding my time. When the trial came off the prosecuting attorney was well posted by me on the case and demonstrated before the jury what I had discovered in the pawnbroker's back yard. He showed them the bullet that had killed Mulholland, then took a cartridge and fired it into a barrel of water. The bullet coming out marked as the one he had shown them, he fired another and another till they were perfectly satisfied.

One would think that to be the end of my story, but it isn't. The chief of police, not willing that an amateur should accomplish what he couldn't do himself, connived with the lawyer appointed by the state to defend the prisoner to prove an alibi. Witnesses swore that on the night of the murder they were with the prisoner a hundred miles away from Mulholland's farm. The man was acquitted.

I went off to a distant city and became a detective, but that's the only case I ever worked without keeping in with the police.

AUSTIN A. KINGSLEY.

—J. L. Costner, of Spray, 65 years of age, was killed by passenger train No. 8 on the Southern railway near Stokesland on Tuesday. He was walking along the track and seeing a freight train approaching, he stepped from the track he was walking upon to the other of the double track system, and the noise made by the freight train prevented him from hearing the approach of the passenger train behind him.——Willie Carrington, a ten-year-old negro boy, was struck by an engine near the same place on Monday and died on Tuesday.

—Dumley—Well, I've made up my mind. I tell you, she'll marry me or I'll blow my brains out. Knox—Huh! Such unwarranted assumption. I never—. Dumley—Assumption? I suppose you mean "presumption." Knox—No; I refer to your assumption that you have any brains.—Philadelphia Ledger.

—"I rely on the sense of the plain people," said the youthful statesman. "Yes,' answered Senator Sorghum. "Somehow a man always feels that the plain people have splendid judgement just after they have elected him to office."—Washington Star.

Wealth in South

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 22.—Among the many evidences of prosperity in all parts of the South is the activity in building operations on the part of individuals, business, industrial and railroad corporations, church and beneficial societies and municipal, county and State authorities. Aside from the notable progress made at Baltimore since the great fire of two years ago which has given an impetus to improvements in many directions and which is to have another mark in the commencement, March 1st, of work upon the new piers, aside from the increase in the number of apartment houses and handsome residences in the National capital at Washington, D. C., to be expected in the nature of things, aside from sustained work at such places as Jacksonville, Fla., and Galveston, Tex., in recovery from disaster and in advance to greater things and aside from the construction consequent upon the establishment of new industries of various kinds dealing with cotton, cotton-seed, tobacco, lumber, iron and steel, the records of plans for new buildings and or progress upon such undertakings, has been maintained for several months past, and their character is well exemplified in the reports published in this week's issue of the Manufacturers' Record chronicling the manifestations of the past seven days.

Naturally railroads are to the fore in this particular, and among the most interesting reports is that of plans for the terminals at Key West of the extension of the Florida East Coast railway across the Florida Keys. That bit of railroad construction has attracted wide attention because of its boldness and novelty, and it is understood that the terminals which will involve the expenditure of several million dollars will occupy a site about a mile from the shore line proper and now covered by from five to twenty-five feet of water. Actual work has commenced at Memphis upon two storage warehouses for the Southern railway, which will cost $100,000. They will be of brick and have an aggregate floor space of 62,400 feet. The present freight warehouse of the road at Memphis will also be overhauled at a cost of about $25,000 and considerable steel work in doors will be installed. The freight depot of the Georgia Southern & Florida Company at Valdosta, Ga., will be of brick, 45x962 feet, and will cost $12,000; plans are being prepared for the Illinois Central railroad depot at Birmingham, Ala., which will be of brick, three stories high and 141x196 feet, while an addition of 200 feet is to be made to the depot of the International Great Northern railroad at Lerado, Tex.

A warehouse company at Memphis plans to spend nearly a million dollars upon the consolidated system of warehouses and compresses on land near that city; Bennettsville, S. C., is to have a fireproof cotton warehouse of concrete stone and plans have been made for cotton warehouses at Houston, Tex., and Fayetteville, N. C., for a large tobacco warehouse at Trenton, Ky., for warehouse sheds at Greenville, Miss., for piers at Mobile, Ala., and for piers and storehouses at Brunswick, Ga. Among other contemplated improvements are the follow:

Churches—$30,000 at Memphis, Tenn., $75,000 at Nashville, Tenn., $11,000 at Hot Springs, Ark., $40,000 at Pensacola, Fla., $15,000 at Statesville, N. C., $7,000 at Eufaula, Ala., and others, cost not yet announced at Columbia, S. C., and Victoria, Tex.

Schools—$30,000 at Hampton, Va., $22,900 at Orlando, Fla., $17,988 at Laurel, Miss., and $8,000 at [illegible], Ga.

Hotels — $150,000 steel concrete, fireproof construction, 80x150 feet, at Norfolk, Va.; $100,000, five stories at Charlotte, N. C.; four stories, brick, 60x150 feet, at Shreveport, La; 70x120 feet at Timpson, Tex.; three stories at Bessemer, Ala., and others at Brooksville, Fla., Grand Park, Fla., and Healing Springs, S. C., presumably to meet tourists demands, which are behind the organization at New Orleans of a company which proposes to build a $600,000 hotel at one of the Gulf Coast resorts.

Office and business buildings—$35,000 brick and stone, at St. Angelo, Tex.; $50,000 at Memphis, Tenn.; $12,000 of brick and belgian blocks at Burlington, N. C.; ten stories, steel frame, at Macon, Ga.; and at Rome, Ga., Savannah, Ga., Jacksonville, Fla., and Alexandria, Va.

Jails—$15,000 at Rome, Ga.; $12,894 at Tifton, Ga.; $12,000 at Woodstock, Va.; at Sparta, Tenn., and at Hot Springs, Ark.

Banks—Greenville, S. C., Demopolis, Ala., North Fork, W. Va.

Theatres—At New Orleans, La., El Paso, Tex., and North Fork, W. Va.; $75,000 city hall at Pensacola, Fla.; $200,000 Masonic Temple, seven stories high, at Atlanta, Ga.; $10,000 armory at New Orleans, $21,000 county home at Winston-Salem, N. C.; hospitals at Mineral Wells, Tex., and at New Orleans, La., and a Young Men's Christian Association building at Bristol, Tenn., and Waycross, Ga.

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The Two Vanrevels

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CHAPTER XII.

MR. CAREWE returned one warm May afternoon by the 6 o'clock boat, which was sometimes a day late and sometimes a few hours early, the latter contingency arising, as in the present instance, when the owner was aboard. Nelson drove him from the wharf to the bank, where he conferred briefly in an undertone with Eugene Madrillon, after which Eugene sent a note containing three words to Tappingham Marsh. Marsh tore up the note and sauntered over to the club, where he found General Trumble and Jefferson Bareaud.

"He has come," said Tappingham, pleased to find the pair the only occupants of the place. "He saw Madrillon, and there's a session tonight."

"Praise the Lord!" exclaimed the stout general, rising to his feet. "I'll see old Chenoweth at once. My fingers have the itch."

"And mine, too," said Bareaud. "I'd begun to think we'd never have a go with him again."

"You must see that Crailey comes. We want a full table. Drag him if you can't get him any other way."

"He won't need urging," said Jefferson.

"But he cut us last time."

"He won't cut tonight. What hour?"

"Nine," answered Tappingham. "It's to be a full sitting, remember."

"Don't fear for us," laughed Trumble.

"Now for Crailey," Jefferson added. "After so long a vacation you couldn't keep him away if you chained him to the courthouse pillars. He'd tear 'em in two!"

But Jefferson did not encounter the alacrity of acceptance he expected from Crailey when he found him half an hour later at the hotel. Indeed, at first Mr. Gray not only refused outright, but seriously urged the same course upon Jefferson. Moreover, his remonstrance was offered in such good faith that Bareaud, in the act of swallowing one of his large doses of quinine, paused with only half the powder down his throat, gasing, nonplused, at his prospective brother-in-law.

"My immortal soul!" he gasped. "Is this Crailey Gray? What's the trouble?"

"Nothing," replied Gray quietly. "Only don't go; you're lost enough."

"Well, you're a beautiful one!" Jefferson exclaimed, with an incredulous laugh. "You're a master hand. You to talk about losing enough!"

"I know, I know," Crailey began, shaking his head, "but"—

"You've promised Fanchon never to go again, and you're afraid Miss Betty will see or hear us and tell her you were there."

"I don't know Miss Carewe."

"Then you needn't fear. Besides, she'll be out when we come and asleep when we go. She will never know we've been in the house."

"That has nothing to do with it," said Crailey impatiently, and he was the more earnest because he remembered the dangerous geography of the Carewe house, which made it impossible for any one to leave the cupola room except by the long hall which passed certain doors. "I will not go, and, what's more, I promised Fanchon I'd try to keep you out of it hereafter."

"Lord, but we're virtuous!" laughed the incredulous Jefferson. "I'll come for you at a quarter to 9."

"I will not go, I tell you."

Jefferson roared. "Yes, you will. You couldn't keep from it if you tried!" And he took himself off, laughing vio-

Face to face with Crailey Gray.

lently, again promising to call for Crailey on his way to the tryst and leaving him still warmly protesting that it would be a great folly for either of them to go.

Crailey looked after the lad's long, thin figure with an expression as near anger as he ever wore. "He'll go," he said to himself.

"And—ah, well—I'll have to risk it! I'll go with him, but only to try to bring him away early—that is, as early as it's safe to be sure that they are asleep downstairs. And I won't play. No, I'll not play; I'll not play."

He went out of the hotel by a side door. Some distance up the street Bareaud was still to be seen, lounging homeward in the pleasant afternoon sunshine. He stopped on a corner and serenely poured another quinine powder into himself and threw the paper to a couple of pigs that looked up from the gutter maliciously.

"Confound him!" said Crailey, laughing ruefully. "He makes me a missionary—for I'll keep my word to Fanchon in that, at least! I'll look after Jefferson tonight. Ah, I might as well be old Tom Vanrevel, indeed!"

Meanwhile Mr. Carewe had taken possession of his own again. His daughter ran to the door to meet him. She was trembling a little and, blushing and smiling, held out both her hands to him, so that Mrs. Tanberry vowed this was the loveliest creature in the world, and the kindest.

Mr. Carewe bowed slightly, as to an acquaintance, and disregarded the extended hands.

At that the blush faded from Miss Betty's cheeks, she trembled no more, and a salutation as icy as her father's was returned to him. He bent his heavy brows upon her and shot a black glance her way, being, of course, immediately enraged by her reflection of his own manner, but he did not speak to her.

Nor did he once address her during the evening meal, preferring to honor Mrs. Tanberry with his conversation, to that diplomatic lady's secret anger, but outward amusement. She cheerfully neglected to answer him at times, having not the slightest awe of him, and turned to the girl instead; indeed, she was only prevented from rating him soundly at his own table by the fear that she might make the situation more difficult for her young charge. As soon as it was possible she made her escape with Miss Betty, and they drove away in the twilight to pay visits of duty, leaving Mr. Carewe frowning at his coffee on the veranda.

When they came home three hours later Miss Betty noticed that a fringe of illumination bordered each of the heavily curtained windows in the cupola, and she uttered an exclamation, for she had never known that room to be lighted.

"Look!" she cried, touching Mrs. Tanberry's arm, as the horses trotted through the gates under a drizzle of rain. "I thought the room in the cupola was empty. It's always locked, and when I came from St. Mary's he told me that old furniture was stored there."

Mrs. Tanberry was grateful for the darkness. "He may have gone there to read," she answered in a queer voice. "Let us go quietly to bed, child, so as not to disturb him."

Betty had as little desire to disturb her father as she had to see him; therefore she obeyed her friend's injunction and went to her room on tiptoe. The house was very silent as she lit the candles on her bureau. Outside the gentle drizzle and the soothing tinkle from the eaves were the only sounds. Within there was but the faint rustle of garments from Mrs. Tanberry's room. Presently the latter ceased to be heard, and a wooden moan of protest from the four poster upon which the good lady reposed announced that she had drawn the curtains and wooed the rulers of Nod.

Although it was one of those nights of which they say, "It is a good night to sleep," Miss Betty was not drowsy. She had half unfastened one small sandal, but she tied the ribbons again and seated herself by the open window. Peering out into the dismal night, she found her own future as black, and it seemed no wonder that the sisters loved the convent life; that the pale nuns forsook the world wherein there was so much useless unkindness, where women were petty and jealous, like that cowardly Fanchon, and men who looked great were tricksters, like Fanchon's betrothed. Miss Betty clinched her delicate fingers. She would not remember that white, startled face again.

Another face helped her to shut out the recollection—that of the man who had come to mass to meet her yesterday morning and with whom she had taken a long walk afterward. He had shown her a quaint old English gardener who lived on the bank of the river, had bought her a bouquet, and she had helped him to select another to send to a sick friend. How beautiful the flowers were and how happy he had made the morning for her with his gayety, his lightness and his odd wisdom! Was it only yesterday? Her father's coming had made yesterday a fortnight old.

But the continuously pattering rain and the soft drip, drop from the roof, though as mournful as she chose to find them, began after awhile to weave their somnolent spells, and she slowly drifted from reveries of unhappy sorts into half dreams, in which she was still aware she was awake, yet slumber, heavy eyed, stirring from the curtains beside her with the small night breeze, breathed strange distortions upon familiar things, and drowsy impossibilities moved upon the surface of her thoughts. Her chin, resting upon her hand, sank gently until her head almost lay upon her relaxed arms.

"That is mine, Crailey Gray!"

She sprang to her feet, immeasurably startled, one hand clutching the back of her chair, the other tremulously pressed to her cheek, convinced that her father had stooped over her and shouted the sentence in her ear. For it was his voice, and the house rang with the words. All the rooms, halls, and even the walls, still seemed murmurous with the sudden sound, like the tinkling of a bell after it has been struck. And yet—everything was quiet.

She pressed her fingers to her forehead, trying to untangle the maze of dreams which had evolved this shock for her, the sudden clamor in her father's voice of a name she hated and hoped never to hear again, a name she was trying to forget, but as she was unable to trace anything which had led to it there remained only the conclusion that her nerves were not what they should be. The vapors having become obsolete for young ladies as an explanation for all unpleasant sensations, they were instructed to have "nerves." This was Miss Betty's first consciousness of her own, and, desiring no greater acquaintance with them, she told herself it was unwholesome to fall asleep in a chair by an open window when the night was as sad as she.

Turning to a chair in front of the small oval mirror of her bureau, she unclasped the brooch which held her lace collar and, seating herself, began to unfasten her hair. Suddenly she paused, her uplifted arms falling mechanically to her sides.

Some one was coming through the long hall with a soft, almost inaudible step, a step which was not her father's. She knew at once, with instinctive certainty, that it was not he. Nor was it Nelson, who would have shuffled; nor could it be the vain Mamie, nor one of the other servants, for they did not sleep in the house. It was a step more like a woman's, though certainly it was not Mrs. Tanberry's.

Betty rose, took a candle and stood silent for a moment, the heavy tresses of her hair, half unloosed, falling upon her neck and left shoulder like the folds of a dark drapery.

At the slight rustle of her rising the steps ceased instantly. Her heart set up a wild beating, and the candle shook in her hand. But she was brave and young, and, following an irresistible impulse, she ran across the room, flung open the door and threw the light of the candle into the hall, holding it at arm's length before her.

She came almost face to face with Crailey Gray.

The blood went from his cheeks as a swallow flies down from a roof. He started back against the opposite wall with a stifled groan, while she stared at him blankly and grew as deathly pale as he.

He was a man of great resource in all emergencies which required a quick tongue, but for the moment this was beyond him. He felt himself lost, toppling backward into an abyss, and the uselessness of his destruction made him physically sick. For he need not have been there; he had not wished to come; he had well counted the danger to himself, and this one time in his life had gone to the cupola room out of good nature. But Bareaud had been obstinate, and Crailey had come away alone, hoping that Jefferson might follow. And here he was, poor trapped rat, convicted and ruined because of a good action! At last he knew consistency to be a jewel and that a greedy boy should never give a crust; that a fool should stick to his folly, a villain to his deviltry and each hold his own; for the man who thrusts a good deed into a life of lies is wound about with perilous passes, and in his devious ways a thousand unexpected damnations spring.

Beaten, stunned, hang-jawed with despair, he returned her long, dumfounded gaze hopelessly and told the truth like an inspired dunce.

"I came—I came—to bring another man away," he whispered brokenly; and, at the very moment, several heavy, half suppressed voices broke into eager talk overhead.

The white hand that held the candle wavered, and the shadows glided in a huge, grotesque dance. Twice she essayed to speak before she could do so, at the same moment motioning him back, for he had made a vague gesture toward her.

"I am not faint. Do you mean, away from up there?" She pointed to the cupola stairs.

"Yes."

"Have—have you seen my father?"

The question came out of such a depth of incredulousness that it was more an articulation of the lips than a sound, but he caught it, and, with it, not hope, but the shadow of a shadow of hope, a hand waving from the far shore to the swimmer who has been down twice. Did she fear for his sake?

"No—I have not seen him." He was groping blindly.

"You did not come from that room?"

"No."

"How did you enter the house?"

The draft through the hall was blowing upon him; the double doors upon the veranda had been left open for coolness. "There," he said, pointing to them.

"But—I heard you come from the other direction."

He was breathing quickly. He saw his chance—if Jefferson Bareaud did not come now.

"You did not hear me come down the stairs." He leaned toward her, risking it all on that.

"No."

"Ah!" A sigh too like a gasp burst from Crailey. His head lifted a little, and his eyes were luminous with an eagerness that was almost anguish. He set his utmost will at work to collect himself and to think hard and fast.

"I came here resolved to take a man away—come what would!" he said. "I found the door open, went to the foot of that stairway, then I stopped. I remembered something. I turned and was going away when you opened the door."

"You remembered what?"

The flicker of hope in his breast increased prodigiously, and the rush of it took the breath from his throat and choked him. Good God! Was she going to believe him?

"I remembered—you!"

"What?" she said wonderingly.

Art returned with a splendid bound, full pinioned, his beautiful and treacherous familiar who had deserted him at the crucial instant, but she made up for it now, folding him in protective wings and breathing through his spirit. In rapid and vehement whispers he poured out the words upon the girl in the doorway.

"I have a friend, and I would lay down my life to make him what he could be. He has always thrown everything away, his life, his talents, all his money and all of mine, for the sake of—throwing them away! Some other must tell you about that room, but it has ruined my friend. Tonight I discovered that he had been summoned here, and I made up my mind to come and take him away. Your father has sworn to shoot me if I set foot in his house or on ground of his. Well, my duty was clear, and I came to do it. And yet I stopped at the foot of the stair because—because I remembered that you were Robert Carewe's daughter. What of you if I went up and harm came to me from your father? For I swear I would not have touched him! You asked me not to speak of 'personal' things, and I have obeyed you, but you see I must tell you one thing now. I have cared for this friend of mine more than for all else under heaven, but I turned and left him to his ruin and would a thousand times rather than bring trouble upon you! 'A thousand times?' Ah, I swear it should be a thousand times a thousand!"

He had paraded in one speech from the prisoner's dock to Capulet's garden, and her eyes were shining into his like a great light when he finished.

"Go quickly!" she whispered. "Go quickly! Go quickly!"

"But do you understand?"

"Not yet, but I shall. Will you go? They might come—my father might come—at any moment."

"But"—

"Do you want to drive me quite mad? Please go!" She laid a trembling, urgent hand upon his sleeve.

"Never, until you tell me that you understand," replied Crailey firmly, listening keenly for the slightest sound from overhead. "Never—until then!"

"When I do I shall tell you; now I only know that you must go."

"But tell me"—

"You must go!"

There was a shuffling of chairs on the floor overhead, and Crailey went. He went even more hastily than might have been expected from the adamantine attitude he had just previously assumed. Realizing this as he reached the wet path, he risked stealing round to her window.

"For your sake!" he breathed, and, having thus forestalled any trifling imperfection which might arise in her recollection of his exit from the house, he disappeared, kissing his hand to the rain as he ran down the street.

Miss Betty locked her door and pulled close the curtains of her window. A numerous but careful sound of footsteps came from the hall, went by her door and out across the veranda. Silently she waited until she heard her father go alone to his room.

She took the candle and went in to Mrs. Tanberry. She set the light upon a table, pulled a chair close to the bedside and placed her cool hand lightly on the great lady's forehead.

"Isn't it very late, child? Why are you not asleep?"

"Mrs. Tanberry, I want to know why there was a light in the cupola room tonight?"

"What?" Mrs. Tanberry rolled herself as upright as possible and sat with blinking eyes.

"I want to know what I am sure you know and what I am sure everybody knows except me. What were they doing there tonight, and what was the quarrel between Mr. Vanrevel and my father that had to do with Mr. Gray?"

Mrs. Tanberry gazed earnestly into the girl's face. After a long time she said in a gentle voice:

"Child, has it come to matter that much?"

"Yes," said Miss Betty.

CHAPTER XIII.

TOM VANREVEL always went to the postoffice soon after the morning distribution of the mail; that is to say, about 10 o'clock, and returned with the letters for the firm of Gray & Vanrevel, both personal and official. Crailey and he shared everything, even a box at the postoffice, and in front of this box one morning, after a night of rain, Tom stood staring at a white envelope bearing a small black seal. The address was in a writing he had never seen before, but the instant it fell under his eye he was struck with a distinctly pleasurable excitement.

Suddenly and without reason he knew that it came from Elizabeth Carewe.

He walked back quickly to his office with the letter in the left pocket of his coat, threw the bundle of general correspondence upon his desk, went up to the floor above and paused at his own door to listen. Deep breathing from across the hall indicated that Mr. Gray's soul was still incased in slumber.

Vanrevel went to his own room, locked the door and took the letter from his pocket. At last, after examining all the blades of his pocketknife, he selected one brighter than the others and loosened the flap of the envelope as gently and carefully as if it had been the petal of a rosebud that he was opening.

Dear Mr. Vanrevel—I believed you last night, though I did not understand. But I understand now—everything—and, bitter to me as the truth is, I must show you plainly that I know all of it, nor can I rest until I do show you. I want you to answer this letter—though I must not see you again for a long time—and in your answer you must set me right if I am anywhere mistaken in what I have learned.

At first, and until after the second time we met, I did not believe in your heart, though I did in your mind and humor. Even since then there have come strange, small, inexplicable mistrustings of you, but now I throw them all away and trust you wholly, Monsieur Citizen Georges Meilhac!—I shall always think of you in those impossible garnishments of my poor great-uncle, and I persuade myself that he must have been a little like you.

I trust you because I have heard the story of your profound goodness. The first reason for my father's dislike was your belief in freedom as the right of all men. Ah, it is not your pretty exaggerations and flatteries (I laugh at them!) that speak for you, but your career itself and the brave things you have done! My father's dislike flared into hatred because you worsted him when he discovered that he could not successfully defend the wrong against you and fell back upon sheer insult.

He is a man whom I do not know—strange as that seems as I write it. It is only to you, who have taught me so much, that I could write it. I have tried to know him and to realize that I am his daughter, but we are the coldest acquaintances, that is all, and I cannot see how a change could come. I do not understand him; least of all do I understand why he is a gambler. It has been explained to me that it is his great passion, but all I comprehend in these words is that they are full of shame for his daughter.

This is what was told me: He has always played heavily and skilfully, adding much to his estate in that way, and in Rouen always with a certain coterie, which was joined several years ago by the man you came to save last night.

Your devotion to Mr. Gray has been the most beautiful thing in your life. I know all that the town knows of that, except the thousand hidden sacrifices you have made for him, those things which no one will ever know. (And yet, you see, I know them after all.) For your sake, because you love him, I will not even call him unworthy.

I have heard—from one who told unwillingly—the story of the night two years ago when the play ran so terribly high, and how in the morning when they went away all were poorer except one—their host; how Mr. Gray had nothing left in the world and owed my father a great sum, which was to be paid in twenty-four hours; how you took everything you had saved in the years of hard work at your profession and borrowed the rest on your word and brought it to my father that afternoon; how, when you had paid your friend's debt, you asked my father not to play with Mr. Gray again, and my father made that his excuse to send you a challenge. You laughed at the challenge—and you could afford to laugh at it.

But this is all shame, shame for Robert Carewe's daughter. It seems to me that I should hide and not lift my head; that I, being of my father's blood, could never look you in the face again. It is so unspeakably painful and ugly. I think of my father's stiff pride and his look of the eagle—and he still plays with your friend, almost always "successfully!" And your friend still comes to play! But I will not speak of that side of it.

Mr. Gray has made you poor, but I know it was not that which made you come seeking him last night, when I found you there in the hall. It was for his sake you came—and you went away for mine. Now that I know, at last—now that I have heard what your life has been (and, oh, I heard so much more than I have written!)—now that my eyes have been opened to see you as you are, I am proud and glad and humble that I can believe that you felt a friendship for me strong enough to have made you go "for my sake." You will write to me just once—won't you?—and tell me if there was any error in what I listened to, but you must not come to the garden. Now that I know you I cannot meet you clandestinely again. It would hurt the dignity which I feel in you now and my own poor dignity—such as it is! I have been earnestly warned of the danger to you. Besides, you must let me test myself. I am all fluttering and frightened and excited. You will obey me, won't you? Do not come until I send for you.

ELIZABETH CAREWE.

Mr. Gray, occupied with his toilet about noon, heard his partner descending to the office with a heavy step, and issued from his room to call a hearty greeting. Tom looked back over his shoulder and replied cheerily, though with a certain embarrassment, but Crailey, catching sight of his face, uttered a sharp ejaculation and came down to him.

"Why, what's the matter, Tom? You're not going to be sick?"

"I'm all right, never fear!" Tom laughed, evading the other's eye. "I'm going out in the country on some business, and I dare say I shall not be back for a couple of days. It will be all up and down the county."

"Can't I go for you? You don't look able"—

"No, no. It's something I'll have to attend to myself."

"Ah, I suppose," said Crailey gently, "I suppose it's important and you couldn't trust me to handle it. Well—God knows you're right! I've shown you often enough how incompetent I am to do anything but write jingles!"

"You do some more of them—without the whisky, Crailey. They're worth more than all the lawing that Gray & Vanrevel have ever done or ever will do. Goodby—and be kind to yourself."

He descended to the first landing, and then, "Oh, Crailey," he called with the air of having forgotten something he had meant to say.

"Yes, Tom?"

"This morning at the postoffice I found a letter addressed to me. I opened it and"— He hesitated, and uneasily shifted his weight from one foot to the other with a feeble, deprecatory laugh.

"Yes, what of it?"

"Well, there seemed to be a mistake. I think it must have been meant for you. Somehow, she—she's picked up a good many wrong impressions, and, Lord knows how, but she's mixed our names up and—and I've left the letter for you. It's on my table."

He turned and, calling a final goodby over his shoulder, went clattering noisily down to the street and vanished from Crailey's sight.

Noon found Tom far out on the National road, creaking along over the yellow dust in a light wagon.

He stopped at every farmhouse and cabin, and where the young men work-

"Why, what's the matter, Tom?"

ed in the fields hailed them from the road or hitched his horse to the fence and crossed the soft furrows to talk with them. At such times he stood erect again and spoke stirringly, finding eager listeners. There was one question they asked him over and over:

"But are you sure the call will come?"

"As sure as that we stand here. And it will come before the week is out. We must be ready!"

Often when he left them they would turn from the work in hand, leaving it as it was to lie unfinished in the fields, and make their way slowly and thoughtfully to their homes, while Tom climbed into his creaking little wagon once more, only to fall into the same dull, hunched over attitude. He had many things to think out before he faced Rouen and Crailey Gray again, and more to fight through to the end with himself. Three days he took for it, three days driving through the soft May weather behind the kind old jog trotting horse.

But on the evening of the third day he drove into town, with the stoop out of his shoulders and the luster back in his eyes. He was haggard, gray, dusty, but he had solved his puzzle, and one thing was clear in his mind as the thing that he would do. He patted the old horse a hearty farewell as he left him with the liveryman from whom he had hired him and strode up Main street with the air of a man who is going somewhere. It was late, but there were more lights than usual in the windows and more people on the streets. An old man, a cobbler, who had left a leg at Tippecanoe and replaced it with a wooden one, chastely decorated with designs of his own carvings, came stumping excitedly down the middle of the street, where he walked for fear of the cracks in the wooden pavement, which were dangerous to his art leg when he came from the Rouen House bar, as on the present occasion. He hailed Tom by name.

"You're the lad, Tom Vanrevel!" he shouted. "You're the man to lead the boys out for the glory of the state! You git the whole blame fire department out and enlist 'em before morning. Take 'em down to the Rio Grande, you hear me? And you needn't be afraid of their puttin' it out, if it ketches afire, neither!"

Tom waved his hand and passed on, but at the open doors of the Catholic church he stopped and looked up and down the street, and then, unnoticed, entered to the dim interior, where the few candles showed only a bent old woman in black kneeling at the altar. Tom knew where Elizabeth Carewe knelt each morning. He stepped softly through the shadowy silence to her place, knelt and rested his head upon the rail of the bench before him.

The street was quiet when he emerged from that lorn vigil. The corner groups had dissolved. Shouting youths no longer patrolled the sidewalks. Only one quarter showed signs of life—the little clubhouse, where the windows still shone brightly and whence came the sound of many voices settling the destinies of the United States of America. Thither Tom bent his steps thoughtfully and with a quiet mind. There was a small veranda at the side of the house. Here he stood unobserved to look in upon his noisy and agitated friends.

They were all there, from the old general and Mr. Bareaud to the latter's son, Jefferson, and young Frank Chenoweth. Trumble was proposing a health to the president in a voice of fury.

"In spite of all the Crailey Grays and traitors this side of hades!" he finished politely.

Crailey emerged instantaneously from the general throng and mounted a chair, tossing his light hair back from his forehead, his eyes sparkling and happy. "You find your own friends already occupying the place you mentioned, do you, general?" he asked.

General Trumble stamped and shook his fist. "You're a spawn of Aaron Burr!" he vociferated. "There's not a man here to stand by your infernal doctrines. You sneer at your own state, you sneer at your own country, you defile the sacred ground! What are you, by the Almighty, who attack your native land in this her hour of peril?"

"Peril to my native land!" laughed Crailey. "From Santa Anna?"

"The general's right, sir," exclaimed the elder Chenoweth indignantly, and most of the listeners appeared to agree with him. "It's a poor time to abuse the president when he's called for volunteers and our country is in danger, sir!"

"Who is in danger?" answered Crailey, lifting his hand to still the clamor of approbation that arose. "Is Polk in danger, or congress? But that would be too much to hope! Do you expect to see the greasers in Washington? No, you idiots, you don't! Yet there'll be plenty of men to suffer and die, and the first should be those who thrust this war on us and poor little Mexico. But it won't be they. The men who'll do the fighting and dying will be the country boys and the like of us from the towns, while Mr. Polk sits planning how he can get elected again. And you ask me to drink the health of the politician who sits at home and sends his fellow men to die to fix his rotten jobs for him!" Crailey had persuaded himself into such earnestness that the depth of his own feeling almost choked him, but he finished roundly in his beautiful, strong voice: "I'll drink for the good punch's sake. But that health—I'll see General Trumble in heaven before I'll drink it!"

There rose at once a roar of anger and disapproval, and Crailey became a mere storm center amid the upraised hands gesticulating madly at him as he stood, smiling again, upon his chair.

"This comes of living with Tom Vanrevel!" shouted the general furiously. "This is his cursed abolition teaching! You're only his echo. You spend half your life playing at being Vanrevel!"

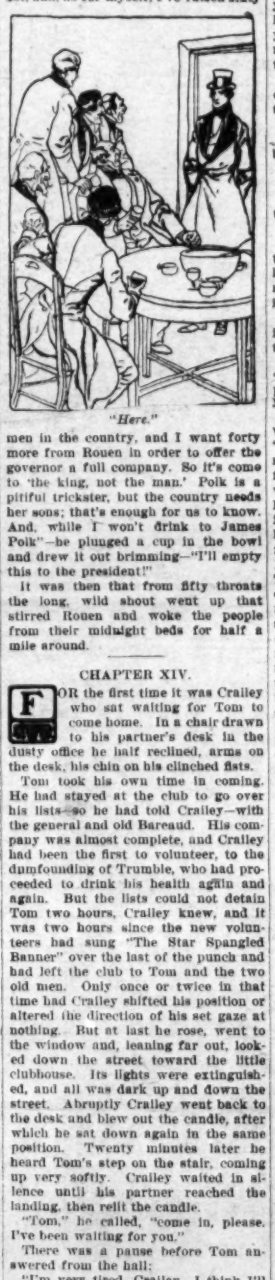
"Where is Vanrevel?" said Tappingham Marsh.

"Aye, where is he?" raged Trumble, hammering the table till the glasses rang. "Let him come and answer for his own teaching. It's wasted time to talk to this one. He's only the pupil. Where is the traitor?"

"Here," answered a voice from the doorway; and, though the word was spoken quietly, it was nevertheless at that juncture silencing. Every one turned toward the door as Vanrevel entered. But the apoplectic general, whom Crailey's speech had stirred to a fury beyond control, almost leaped at Tom's throat.

"Here's the tea sipping old granny!" he bellowed hoarsely. (He was ordinarily very fond of Tom.) "Here's the master! Here's the man whose example teaches Crailey Gray to throw mud at the flag. He'll stay here at home with Crailey, of course, and throw more, while the other boys march out to die under it!"

"On the contrary, general," answered Tom, raising his voice, "I think you'll find Crailey Gray the first to enlist, and, as for myself, I've raised sixty



"Here."

men in the country, and I want forty more from Rouen in order to offer the governor a full company. So it's come to 'the king, not the man.' Polk is a pitiful trickster, but the country needs her sons; that's enough for us to know. And, while I won't drink to James Polk"—he plunged a cup in the bowl and drew it out brimming—"I'll empty this to the president!"

It was then that from fifty throats the long, wild shout went up that stirred Rouen and woke the people from their midnight beds for half a mile around.

CHAPTER XIV.

FOR the first time it was Crailey who sat waiting for Tom to come home. In a chair drawn to his partner's desk in the dusty office he half reclined, arms on the desk, his chin on his clinched fists.

Tom took his own time in coming. He had stayed at the club to go over his lists—so he had told Crailey—with the general and old Bareaud. His company was almost complete, and Crailey had been the first to volunteer, to the dumfounding of Trumble, who had proceeded to drink his health again and again. But the lists could not detain Tom two hours, Crailey knew, and it was two hours since the new volunteers had sung "The Star Spangled Banner" over the last of the punch and had left the club to Tom and the two old men. Only once or twice in that time had Crailey shifted his position or altered the direction of his set gaze at nothing. But at last he rose, went to the window and, leaning far out, looked down the street toward the little clubhouse. Its lights were extinguished, and all was dark up and down the street. Abruptly Crailey went back to the desk and blew out the candle, after which he sat down again in the same position. Twenty minutes later he heard Tom's step on the stair, coming up very softly. Crailey waited in silence until his partner reached the landing, then relit the candle.

"Tom," he called, "come in, please. I've been waiting for you."

There was a pause before Tom answered from the hall:

"I'm very tired, Crailey. I think I'll go up to bed."

"No," said Crailey; "come in."

The door was already open, but Tom turned toward it reluctantly. He stopped at the threshold, and the two looked at each other.

"I thought you wouldn't come as long as you believed I was up," said Crailey, "so I blew out the light. I'm sorry I kept you outside so long."

"Crailey, I'm going away tomorrow," the other began. "I am to go over and see the governor and offer him this company, and tonight I need sleep, so please"—

"No," interrupted Crailey quietly; "I want to know what you're going to do."

"To do about what?"

"About me."

"Oh!" Tom's eyes fell at once from his friend's face and rested upon the floor. Slowly he walked to the desk and stood in embarrassed contemplation of the littered books and papers, while the other waited.

"I think it's best for you to tell me," said Crailey.

"You think so?" Tom's embarrassment increased visibly, and there was mingled with it an odd appearance of apprehension, probably to relieve which he very deliberately took two long cheroots from his pocket, laid one on the desk for Crailey and lit the other himself with extreme carefulness at the candle. After this ceremonial he dragged a chair to the window, tilted back in it with his feet on the low sill, his back to the thin light and his friend, and said in a slow, gentle tone:

"Well, Crailey?"

"I suppose you mean that I ought to offer my explanation first?" said the other, still standing. "Well, there isn't any." He did not speak doggedly or sullenly, as one in fault, but more with the air of a man curiously ready to throw all possible light upon a cloudy phenomenon. "It's very simple—all that I know about it. I went there first on the evening of the Madrillon masquerade and played a little comedy for her, so that some of my theatrical allusions—they weren't very illuminating—to my [illegible] Fanchon made her believe I was Vanrevel when her father told her about the pair of us. I discovered that the night his warehouses burned—and I saw something more, because I can't help seeing such things—that yours was just the character to appeal to a young girl fresh from the convent and full of honesty and fine dreams and fire. Nobody could arrange a more fatal fascination for a girl of nineteen than to have a deadly quarrel with her father. And that's especially true when the father's like that mad brute of a Bob Carewe! Then, too, you're more or less the town model of virtue and popular hero, in spite of the abolitionism, just as I am the town scamp. So I let it go on and played a little at being you, saying the things that you only think—that was all. It isn't strange that it's lasted until now, not more than three weeks, after all. She's only seen you four or five times and me not much oftener. No one speaks of you to her, and I've kept out of sight when others were about. Mrs. Tanberry is her only close friend and, naturally, wouldn't be apt to mention that you are dark and I am fair or to describe us personally any more than you and I would mention the general appearance of people we both meet about town. But you needn't tell me that it can't last much longer. Some petty, unexpected trifle will turn up, of course. All that I want to know is what you mean to do."

"To do?" repeated Tom softly and blew a long scarf of smoke out of the window.

"Ah!" Crailey's voice grew sharp and loud. "There are many things you needn't tell me. You need not tell me what I've done to you nor what you think of me. You need not tell me that you have others to consider; that you have Miss Carewe to think of. Don't you suppose I know that? And you need not tell me that you have a duty to Fanchon"—

"Yes," Tom broke in, his tone not quite steady—"yes, I've thought of that."

"Well?"

"Have you—did you"— He hesitated, but Crailey understood immediately.

"No; I haven't seen her again."

"But you"—

"Yes, I wrote. I answered the letter."

"Ah"—

"Yes; I signed your name. I told you that I had just let things go on," Crailey answered, with an impatient movement of his hands. "What are you going to do?"

"I'm going over to see the governor in the morning. I'll be away two or three days, I imagine."

"Vanrevel," exclaimed Crailey hotly, "will you give me an answer—I [illegible] about—[illegible] any longer, or do you mean that you refuse to answer?"

Tom dropped his cigar upon the brick window ledge with an abysmal sigh. "Oh, no; it isn't that," he answered mildly. "I've been thinking it all over for three days in the country, and when I got back tonight I found that I had come to a decision without knowing it and that I had come to it even before I started. My leaving the letter for you proved it. It's a little like this Mexican war—a mixed up problem. The thing is bound to happen, and you can't stop it. I believe the men who make this war for their own uses will suffer for it. But it is made, and there's only one thing I can see as the thing for me to do. They've called me every name on earth—and the same with you, too, Crailey—because I'm an abolitionist, but now, whether the country has sinned or not, a good many thousand men have got to do the bleeding for her, and I want to be one of them. That's the one thing that is plain to me."

"Yes," returned Crailey. "You know I'm with you, and I think you're always right. Yes, we'll all be on the way in a fortnight or so. Do you mean you won't quarrel with me because of that? Do you mean it would be a poor time now, when we're all going out to take our chances together?"

"Quarrel with you!" Tom rose and came to the desk, looking across it at his friend. "Did you think I might do that?"

"Yes—I thought so."

"Crailey!" And now Tom's expression showed desperation. It was that of a man whose apprehensions have culminated and who is forced to face a crisis long expected, long averted, but imminent at last. His eyes fell from Crailey's clear gaze, and his hand fidgeted among the papers on the desk.

"No," he began with a painful lameness and hesitation. "I did not mean it—no. I meant that, in the same way, only one thing in this other—this other affair that seems so confused and is such a problem—only one thing has grown clear. [illegible] to me that—that"—here he drew a deep breath before he went on with increasing nervousness—"that if you like a man and have lived with him a good many years—that is to say, if you're really much of a friend to him, I don't believe you sit on a high seat and judge him. Judging and all that haven't much part in it, and it seems to me that you've got yourself into a pretty bad mixup, Crailey."

"Yes," said Crailey. "It's pretty bad."

"Well," Tom looked up now with an almost tremulous smile, "I believe that is about all I can make of it. Do you think it's the part of your best friend to expose you? It seems to me that if there ever was a time when I ought to stand by you it's now."

There was a silence while they looked at each other across the desk in the faint light. Tom's eyes fell again as Crailey opened his lips.

"And in spite of everything," Crailey said breathlessly, "you mean that you won't tell?"

"How could I, Crailey?" said Tom Vanrevel as he turned away.

(CONTINUED NEXT SUNDAY.)

MINE HORROR IN COLORADO.

Thirteen Men Killed by Explosion in Coal Shaft.

Walsenburg, Colo., Feb. 19.—An explosion this morning in the Victor Fuel Company's Maitland mine, caused the death of at least thirteen miners and perhaps sixteen. Seven bodies have been recovered. Shortly before 8 o'clock there was an explosion in the part of the Maitland mine known as the Sunshine which caused the earth to tremble for miles around. Soon afterward a man ran out and reported that the mine was on fire. The explosion caused a fall of rock from the roof and until this is cleared away, it will not be known positively just now many bodies are yet in the mine.

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Lv. Wilmington	9 25 a m	6 50 p m
Ar. Goldsboro	12 15 p m	9 32 p m
Ar. Wilson	1 16 p m	10 26 p m
Ar. Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar. Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar. Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar. Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 23 a m
Ar. Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar. Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar. Baltimore	1 42 a m	9 09 a m
Ar. Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar. New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv. New York	9 35 a m	1 25 p m
Ar. Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar. Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 22 a m
Ar. Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar. Norfolk	.....	8 40 a m
Lv. Richmond	7 25 p m	9 04 a m
Ar. Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar. Weldon	9 57 p m	11 44 a m
Ar. Rocky Mount	11 00 p m	1 10 p m
Ar. Wilson	11 32 p m	2 06 p m
Ar Goldsboro	4 56 a m	3 10 p m
Ar. Wilmington	10 05 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily	Daily	Daily via Wilson
Lv Wilmington	9 00 am	3 45 pm	6 50 pm
Ar Florence	9 35 am	7 40 pm	3 55 am
Ar Charleston	1 20 pm	11 40 pm	8 50 am
Ar Savannah	6 45 pm	2 50 am	9 05 am
Ar Jacksville	.....	8 40 am	1 45 pm
Ar Tampa	.....	6 55 pm	11 00 pm

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar. Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m
Ar. Savannah	12 55 p m	1 15 a m
Lv. Charleston	4 15 p m	6 15 a m
Ar. Florence	7 35 p m	9 25 a m
Ar. Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 5 00 p m
Ar. Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar. 4 55 p m
Ar. Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv. 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	N. Bound Daily ex Sun.	South Bound.
Lv. Wilmington	3 25 p m	Ar. 12 30 p m
Ar. Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv. 9 10 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington connecting with Pennsylvania

At The Theatre.

The theatre will offer this week for four nights and Wednesday matinee a series of popular price entertainments by the Davis-Goodwin Company, which is heralded as one of the best repertoire organizations on the road, to be immediately followed on Friday evening, Saturday matinee and Saturday night by Melville B. Raymond's original and exclusive production of the crowning musical comedy and comic cartoon creation "Buster Brown."

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DAVIS-GOODWIN COMPANY.

For the opening bill to-morrow night the Davis-Goodwin Company will present the modern drama "A Daughter of Satan," which is said to be strong in both comedy and dramatic force. The company carries a large number of specialty people and will present up-to-date vaudeville sketches between the acts. Among the specialty people is the "Great Levole," a daring slack wire performer. Of the production in Petersburg, Va., last week, the Index-Appeal of that city says:

"The Davis-Goodwin Stock Company opened a week's engagement at the Academy of Music last evening with 'A Daughter of Satan,' a highly sensational type of the melodrama, which seemed to appeal strongly to the feelings of the audience and provoked much enthusiasm and applause. As usual in that class of plays, virtue, though long and abused, was ultimately vindicated, and the villian, indeed, the several villians, met a condign fate. The actors played their respectives roles very creditably, and staging and costuming were abundant and appropriate. In the intermissions of the acts some very good specialties were presented.

"To-morrow night the company will present the four act comedy drama entitled 'A War of Wealth.' This is one of the strongest bills in the repertoire, in fact it has never been seen here in Petersburg. The play abounds with plots and counterplots pathos and comedy which never fails to convulse the auditors with laughter. There is also a beautiful love story woven throughout the piece. There will be six specialty features, changing each night. Miss Baldwin in characteristic songs and dances, Miss Sterling, comedy sketch artist. The great Levolo, trick slack wire and juggler. Charles ter's Vacation" and numerous other musical comedies and extravaganzas.

Melville B. Raymond has surrounded Master Gabriel this season with a large and talented company of recognized players, including George Ali, the world's greatest animal impersonator, Charles A. Loder, the German comedian, and a host of others.

The Sea of Matrimony.

For all ye swains and maidens, too,
'Tis worthy of remarking
To sail the matrimonial sea
Needs frequent re-embarking.

Upon a little tender first
We venture, all unheeding,
And then a smack and after that
A transport quick succeeding.

Perchance we then prove men-o'-war;
The hopelessness is utter.
To the divorce court speeds the mate
To get a little cutter.

But if, upon the other hand,
There's neither tiff nor bicker,
We end the voyage safe in port
A worthy single sticker.

—Brooklyn Life.

DAVIS-GOODWIN COMPANY.
Typical Scene In One of High Class Productions By This Popular Organization of Petertoire Entertainers.

—Making It Worse—Suitor (timidly)—I wish to—to marry your daughter, sir. Pater (angrily)—What's that, sir? Where's my cane? Suitor (hastily)—Oh, sir—I didn't mean that—I don't want to marry her —I— Pater (furiously)—Don't eh? Where's my gun?—Cleveland Leader.

—That highly self-sufficient body, the United States Senate, having passed the Ship Subsidy bill, which was opposed by public sentiment, can, of course, be relied upon by the railroads to conserve their vested interests. The tie that binds the vested interests seems to be most enduring of all Senatorial obligations. The scorn with which the "gentleman from the Northern Pacific," and the "gentleman from the Pennsylvania" view public clamor is something superb in these degenerate days of reform.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

HOW TO KEEP WARM.

Value of Newspapers as a Protection Against Cold.

Few people know that by the use of newspapers they can keep warm in cold weather when without it they would suffer, says a writer in the Washington Post. Several sheets of paper pinned to the inside of a man's or boy's vest before putting it on and another part of several thicknesses worn under the vest when going out into the cold will take the place of an overcoat to the poor man who has none and will furnish as much warmth.

Many poor families have not bedclothing enough in winter to protect them from cold during extremely cold nights. Such families can make themselves perfectly comfortable by spreading three or four newspapers between the scant bedclothing they have. They will be agreeably surprised to find that the papers are equal to the heaviest blanket in excluding the cold. If people generally understood the merits of this simple remedy and practiced it, there would be less sickness and fewer cases of consumption. Men and women frequently stand for hours about the market, at the depots or other places, exposed to severe cold or drafts of air, and before they are aware of it have contracted a cold which terminates in consumption and death.

Newspapers under the vest or wrap when thus exposed will nearly always prevent taking cold. The newspaper is a nonconductor of heat and when placed over the stomach preserves the supply of what has been called the reservoirs of heat in the body. It would seem probable that these suggestions were already known by almost every well informed person in the country, but in fact very few have ever tried it. The public schools of the country should teach the children these and kindred rules for their comfort and health, for by their use great suffering would be avoided.

How to Clean Plated Articles.

Electro plated spoons, etc., will soon become tarnished when not in constant use. Clean them with a piece of flannel dipped in vinegar and then in plate powder, rub well and afterward polish with a leather, when all marks will be removed. Egg and salt spoons may be treated successfully in this way.

A Costly Cup of Coffee.

When Dr. Richter, the greatest living conductor, finally adopted the baton, he burned all his compositions, making with them, he said, "the sweetest cup of coffee I ever tasted."—London Truth.

Atlantic & North Carolina R. R

LOCAL PASSENGER SCHEDULE.
Effective, Dec. 10, 1905.
EASTERN TIME.

EASTBOUND	No. 1 Daily A. M.	No. 3 Daily P. M.
Lv. Goldsboro	8.00	3.40
" Best's	8.21	4.01
" LaGrange	8.32	4.13
" Falling Creek	8.43	4.25
" Kinston	8.56	4.40
" Caswell	9.13	4.52
" Dover	9.23	5.02
" Cove	9.41	5.16
" Tuscarora	9.51	5.26
Ar. Newbern	10.10	5.48
Lv. Newbern	10.15	5.55
" Riverdale	10.34	6.18
" Croatan	10.38	6.22
" Havelock	10.50	6.35
" Newport	11.06	6.52
" Wildwood	11.12	6.58
" Mansfield	11.16	7.02
Ar. Morehead City	11.30	7.20
" Morehead City Depot	11.40	7.30
	P. M.	
" Beaufort (BMC&OSSCo)	12.20	8.10

WESTBOUND	No. 2 Daily A. M.	No. 4 Daily P. M.
Lv. Beaufort (BMC&OSSCo)	7.00	3.35
" Morehead City Depot	7.40	4.15
" Morehead City	7.50	4.22
" Mansfield	8.01	4.33
" Wildwood	8.05	4.37
" Newport	8.11	4.43
" Havelock	8.27	4.59
" Croatan	8.39	5.11
" Riverdale	8.43	5.15
Ar. Newbern	9.05	5.40
Lv. Newbern	9.10	5.48
" Tuscarora	9.51	6.10
" Cove	9.41	6.29
" Dover	9.58	6.36
" Caswell	10.08	6.46
" Kinston	10.22	7.00
" Falling Creek	10.35	7.13
" LaGrange	10.47	7.26
" Best's	10.58	7.37
Ar. Goldsboro	11.20	7.55

Trains Nos. 1 and 4 connect at Goldsboro with Atlantic Coast Line trains as follows: No. 41, southbound; No. 42, northbound, and with Southern Railway trains Nos. 111, westbound, and No. 112 eastbound.

Trains Nos. 2 and 3 connect at Goldsboro with Southern Railway trains as follows: No. 108, eastbound; No. 135, westbound, and with Atlantic Coast Line trains as follows: No. 49, southbound, and No. 48, northbound.

Pullman Sleeping Car and Parlor Car service has been discontinued for the season. R. E. L. BUNCH,
de12-tf Traffic Manager.

SPECIAL RATES VIA SEABOARD AIR LINE TO SOUTHERN PINES.

Account of the Reunion of the Blue and the Gray to be held in Southern Pines, the Seaboard announces a rate of $3.85 from Wilmington for the round trip. Tickets on sale February 23 and 24, with final limit the 26th. For further information apply to

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Between Wilmington and New York.

Read Down			Read Up
12 25 p m	Lv.	New York Ar.	4 15 p m
2 55 p m	Lv.	Philadelphia Lv.	1 45 p m
6 10 p m	Lv.	Baltimore Lv.	11 32 a m
7 25 p m	Lv.	Washington Lv.	10 30 a m
11 00 p m	Lv.	Richmond Lv.	6 15 a m
6 20 a m	Lv.	Raleigh Lv.	1 10 a m
8 40 a m	Lv	S'uth'n Pines Lv.	11 06 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet Lv.	10 15 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington Lv.	3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Norfolk and Portsmouth.

Read Down			Read Up
2 24 p m	Lv.	Norfolk Ar.	8 20 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.	Portsmouth Ar.	8 00 a m
1 35 a m	Lv.	Henderson Lv.	3 03 a m
3 20 a m	Lv.	Raleigh Lv.	1 30 a m
6 30 a m	Ar.	Hamlet Lv.	10 30 a m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet Ar.	7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington Lv.	3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Atlanta and Birmingham.

Read Down			Read Up
2 10 p m	Lv.	Birmingham Ar.	1 20 p m
7 40 p m	Ar.	Atlanta Lv	8 00 a m
8 00 p m	Lv.	Atlanta Ar.	7 40 a m
11 23 p m	Lv.	Athens Lv	6 08 a m
2 00 a m	Lv	Greenwood Lv.	3 35 a m
4 06 a m	Lv.	Chester Lv.	1 18 a m
7 30 a m	Ar.	Hamlet Lv.	10 15 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet Ar.	7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington Lv.	3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Savannah, Montgomery, Jacksonville and Tampa

Read Down			Read Up
7 30 a m	Lv.	Tampa Ar.	6 35 p m
1 53 p m	Lv.	Tallahasse Ar.	3 10 p m
5 24 p m	Ar.	Jacksonville Lv.	10 00 a m
7 50 p m	Lv.	Jacksonville Ar.	8 55 a m
12 10 a m	Lv.	Savannah Lv.	4 50 a m
5 30 a m	Lv.	Columbia Lv.	12 30 a m
6 25 a m	Lv.	Camden Lv.	12 24 a m
8 40 a m	Ar.	Hamlet Lv.	10 15 p m
8 40 a m	Lv.	Hamlet Ar.	7 35 p m
1 00 p m	Ar.	Wilmington Lv.	3 00 p m

Between Wilmington, Hamlet, Charlotte and Rutherfordton.

Read Down			Read Up
		Rutherf'd'n Lv.	
3 20 p	3 40 p	Ar.	2 10 p
		Shelby	
4 35 p	4 50 p	Lv. Lv.	12 47 p
		Lincoln	
5 31 p	5 47 p	Lv Lv.	11 42 a
		Charlotte	
7 05 p	7 23 p	Ar. Lv.	10 10 a
	5 01 a	Lv. Charlotte Ar.	10 45 p
		Monroe	
	5 45 a	Lv. Lv	9 55 p
		Hamlet	
	7 20 a	Ar. Lv.	7 55 p
		Maxton	
3 20 p	8 40 a	Lv. Ar.	7 35 p 11 02 a
		Lumberton	
4 20 p	9 25 a	Lv. Lv.	6 40 p 10 25 a
		Clarkton	
5 10 p	10 15 a	Lv. Lv.	5 35 p 9 35 a
		Wilmington	
6 05 p	11 03 a	Lv. Lv.	4 40 p 7 45 a
7 50 p	12 45 p	Ar. Lv.	3 00 p 7 00 a

Through Pullman sleepers and parlor cars, New York, Norfolk, Atlanta and Jacksonville. W. B. Rose, Ticket Agent, Wilmington, N. C. Telephone No. 3

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Raleigh, N. C.
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FORECLOSURE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed made by John R. Turrentine, Jr. and wife, Annie H. Turrentine, to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, on the 29th of August, 1905, and duly registered in Book 48, pages 164-166 of the Records of the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at Public Auction for cash, on

Monday, the 26th of March, 1906,

at the Court House door of New Hanover County, in Wilmington, at 12 o'clock M., the following described real estate in said City, beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Fifth Street 99 feet South of the Southern line of Walnut Street, thence East parallel with Walnut Street, 165 feet; thence South parallel with Fifth street, 33 feet; thence West parallel with Walnut streets, 165 feet to the Eastern line of Fifth street; thence North with said line 33 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot No. 2, Block 208.

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"RESOLVED" SONG BY BUSTER BROWN AT ACADEMY FRIDAY NIGHT.

Reynard, the negro impersonator, and others too numerous to mention."

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THE BUSTER BROWN COMPANY.

Master Gabriel, America's most talented toy comedian will be seen in the great sensation of the Metropolitan cities, "Buster Brown" Friday evening, Saturday matinee and Saturday night.

There are some fifty people engaged in the presentation of Buster Brown, that Richard F. Outcault has illustrated in the funny papers of the New York Herald. The company includes the large chorus, a ballet and a number of beautiful girls whose exquisite modern costumes have been made by Wannamaker's New York House. Other costumes include those for a bathing ballet, have been made by Eaves. This ballet has a novel idea, the dresses illustrating the fashions and regulations of various bathing resorts. The scenery is elaborate and requires two sixty-foot baggage cars for transportation throughout the country and a working staff nearly twice the size of a large majority of travelling theatrical attractions.

The story revolves about the visit of the grandmother to the home of the Brown's and the desire of Buster's father to get rid of her. He has faith in the boy's ability, as above all the characters, and he offers $5 for the removal of his mother-in-law. It takes Buster two whole acts to win the money, but he succeeds at last. In the meantime he accepts several other commissions which keep him busy and the audience screaming.

"Buster Brown," the original creation of the New York Herald, is a two-act musical extravaganza by George Totten Smith and Charles Newman from Outcault's famous pictures, staged by Melville B. Raymond, who is a past master in directing and producing musical comedies. As a successful manager and organizer of musical productions, he has no peer, not counting the cost but catering to the public taste and appreciation of delectable musical comedy, well staged and produced. This young manager is fast gaining a name for himself on this account and taking his place in the first ranks of theatrical producers.

Neither care nor money has been spared in producing "Buster Brown" which is but one of Mr. Raymond's popular enterprises. This engagement of Master Gabriel marks the final tour of "Buster Brown" as next season he will be seen in the big musical spectacle, "Little Jack Horner." Mr. Raymond will also offer next season "Little Nolga" in Miss Bo Peep, also "Bus-

"BUSTER" AND "TIGE"
Central Figures in Big Comic Cartoon Creation at Academy This Week.

—"Er—I want some kind of a present for a young lady." "Sweetheart or sister?" "Er—why—she hasn't said which she will be yet."—Judy.

—Up Against It—"Snobson says he'd rather be alone than in unpleasant company." "But the worst of his case is, he can't escape even then!"—Detroit Free Press.

How to Care For Silver.

Any kind of silver in daily use may be cleaned by immersion in strong borax and water for two or three hours. The water should be boiling when the borax and silver are put in. After the plate is dry rub with a little plate powder and polish with chamois. If silver ornaments in the drawing room are not kept in a case, they soon tarnish. They can be brightened by dipping the articles in a strong solution of ammonia and hot water. Silver should never be rubbed with flannel or cotton cloth. The plate not in general use should be wrapped carefully in tissue paper to exclude light and air, as these are the two factors that cause silver to become tarnished.

How to Treat Perspiring Hands.

If your hands perspire too freely, add a few drops of tincture of myrrh to the water in which you rinse them after washing. Then dry thoroughly, and dust with boracic powder or oatmeal. It is an excellent plan to keep a box of oatmeal on one's washstand and make it a regular habit to dust a little over the hands every time after washing. Then rub well with a dry towel.

How to Clean Chatelaine.

A weak point in the much worn steel embroidered chatelaine bags is that, once tarnished by dampness or salt air, their brightness cannot be restored. A suggestion for the improvement of tarnished steel work is to use burned alum. Burn some alum and pound it fine and sift through coarse muslin; apply dry with a soft brush. Powdered burned alum can be bought at a drug-store. Emery powder well rubbed on will often remove small spots of tarnish on steel. Either application needs thoroughness in using.

How to Whiten the Neck.

To whiten the neck and remove the "brown band" made by wearing the velvet ribbon, try this: Take a wineglassful of lemon juice and one of eau de cologne; scrape into this two cakes of the best brown soap. Stir over a slow fire till the soap is melted. Then pour it into a mold to harden. Wash the neck with this, and the mark will soon disappear.

How to Make Corks Fit.

If a cork should be too large for the neck of a bottle, drop it into boiling water for three minutes, and it will be found to fit quite easily.

Warranty deeds for sale at the Star Office.

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(Condensed from Report to Corporation Commission Jan. 29, 1906).

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$1,531,670.14	Capital	$ 25,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2.00	Profits, less taxes and expenses paid	113,536.31
Real estate	15,660.00	Deposits	1,559,210.72
Cash on hand and due from banks	150,414.89		
Total	$1,697,747.03	Total	$1,697,747.03

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Happenings and Doings in Society

—BY G. N. H.—

(Continued From Third Page.)

Miss Anita DeRosset has returned to the city after a pleasant visit in Fayetteville, N. C.

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Mrs. Warren G. Elliott, Jr., gave a small informal tea drinking yesterday afternoon, complimentary to Mrs. Geo. B. Elliott. Mrs. Elliott's guests speak of the little gathering as a most enjoyable affair.

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Mr. Burruss Corpew returned to the city yesterday after a hurired trip to his home near Norfolk, Va.

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Miss Fannie Taylor, who has been on a visit of some length to her sister, Mrs. Chas. Es Borden, in Richmond, Va., returned to her home yesterday, much to the pleasure of her friends.

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An engagement which was announced yesterday and which is of very much interest here, is that of Miss Nepple Carithers Borden to Mr. Joseph Archibald Cannon, of Concord, N. C. The marriage will take place in June.

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Mrs. Albert W. Anderson, of Augusta, Ga., accompanied by her daughter, Miss Lola Anderson, and their guests, Miss Estelle Hillhouse, of Augusta, and Miss Louise Phillips, of Manchester, Tenn., arrived in the city Friday and have joined Capt. Albert W. Anderson, general superintendent of the Atlantic Coast Line, at the Colonial Inn. Miss Anderson is very popular in Wilmington and she and her guests received marked attention at L'Arioso Club dance on Friday evening.

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There was a large an enthusiastic assemblage on the golf links of the Country Club yesterday to witness the third of the series of matches for the Thanksgiving Cup. The day was beautiful and the contestants played with a snap which was very interesting. Mr. Chas McMillan won the match in a score of 88, with a handicap of 8. Mr. Robt. H. Gwaltney's score was 90, while Mr. Geo. Rountree closed third with a score of 94. The cup does not become the property of either of the gentlemen until they have won two out of three matches.

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The ladies of the Hoyle Whist Club were the guests at a most delightful Martha Washington party given to them by Mrs. William A. Wright on Tuesday evening. These ladies play old-fashioned whist, where honors count at cards and the refreshments served are also according to the ideas of ante-bellum days. Mrs. Wright's guests were: Mrs. Geo. W. Kidder, Mrs. Jno. H. Hardin, Mrs. Chas. E. Myers, Mrs. Jno. T. Rankin, Mrs. Nathaniel Cutchen, Mrs. R. R. B. Dunn and the members of the club, Mrs. Jas. C. Munds, Mrs. Wm. D. MacMillan, Sr., Mrs. S. S. Bridgers, Mrs. Louis S. Belden, and Mrs. Jas. F. Payne.

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Itching, Blind, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

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Rubbing the back won't cure backache.

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Backache comes from the inside—from the kidneys.

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Like Trying to Get Rid of Dandruff Without Herpicide.

Did you ever see any one trying to wash themselves without soap or water?

If you did what would you say of him?

It is every bit as foolish to try to get rid of Dandruff and to prevent Baldness by feeding the germs which cause it, with Cantharides, Vaseline, Glycerine and similar substances which form the principal ingredients of most so-called Hair Vigors.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—The Catholics of Charlotte have established a hospital and are contemplating the building of a second church.

—On Friday the contract for a sewerage system to cost $14,477.70, was let by the Lexington city authorities to Guild Co., of Chattanooga.

—Clarkton Express: Some of our oldest inhabitants say that the swamps in this section were higher the 15th of this month than they had been in forty years.

—Charles H. Armfield, of Statesville, has decided to enter the race for the Democratic congressional nomination in the Eighth district. Mr. Armfield is a lawyer of recognized ability and will have strong support.

—Henry Huntley, colored, was given a verdict for $4,000 against the Southern Railway Company in Guilford Superior Court at Greensboro on Friday. Huntley sued for $25,000 as damages on account of an injured leg by falling off a box car.

—Mount Airy Leader: Ephraim Puckett, who lives in Patrick County, Va., about ten miles from Mt. Airy, sold on that market recently 125 bushels of apples. He has sold this year off four acres of orchard 1,500 bushels of apples, for which he has received $1,000.

—Within twenty-eight hours after the fire destroyed J. W. Murchison & Co.'s saw mill, Mr. Johnson was in Charleston, S. C., and had bought machinery to replace that burned. That's indomitable pluck and business get-up equal to any you have heard of. This mill will be running again within thirty days.

—Greensboro special, Feb. 23rd: Miss Avie Forbis, a highly respected young lady, of McLeanville, committed suicide at 4 o'clock this afternoon at her home by shooting her self in the head. She is survived by several brothers, one of whom is C. O. Forbis, a furniture dealer of this city. Her father died from pneumonia here a week ago. Worrying over his death was probably responsible for her rash deed.

—Chapel Hill, Feb. 23.—Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, of the State University, acting State geologist, has left for Manteo, Roanoke Island, to inaugurate the work of staking off the open way of Oregon inlet through Croatan sound to Albemarle sound, so as to give the shad and other fish opportunity to reach their spawning grounds. He will probably return via Beaufort to look over the work being done in connection with the oyster plantings.

—Charlotte Chronicle: The talk about the discontinuance of some of the rural free delivery routes, has set the farmers to work. From all over the country they are writing letters to the Postoffice Department, and these letters leave no doubt as to the farmer's estimate of the value of the service. They speak enthusiastically and congratulate the department on the system which has been so modernized. Some of them declare they don't see how they have ever been able to get along without the service.

—Dr. J. L. Gunn, a well-known citizen of Caswell county, was found on the roadside yesterday morning, and investigations revealed that he had died as a result of his neck being broken, presumably the result of a fall from his buggy. Dr. Gunn has been a periodical drinker for a number of years and, while no one has been found who knows the exact cause of the death, it is supposed that while intoxicated he was thrown from his buggy, when a fracture of the neck resulted. The authorities deemed an inquest unnecessary.

—Raleigh News and Observer: A school census at Rocky Mount shows that its population is nearly 8,000. In 1900 the shops of the Atlantic Coast Line at Rocky Mount had a monthly pay-roll of $12,000. The pay-roll has increased until it is now $31,000. No population is so desirable as men who work in railroad shops. They must have skill and they always earn good wages. They make good citizens and build up the town in which they live. The loss of the big Seaboard shops in Raleigh was a loss that Raleigh still feels, though there is much work still done here in the smaller shops.

—Raleigh News and Observer, Feb. 24th: The Merchants' Association of Raleigh held a called meeting last night in the rooms of the association to consider the local telephone situation. The special committee reported that a conference had been held with the general counsel for the Bell Telephone Company, and the general managers of the Inter-State and Raleigh Telephone companies, the object of the committee being to decide upon some plan for consolidating the three telephone systems. The committee was of the unanimous opinion that the present telephone situation in Raleigh is deplorable, but they had expectations of improving the condition by consolidating the three companies, in this manner reducing the cost of telephone both to the merchants of the city and to the residents using 'phones at their house. The report was adopted by the association with the exception of one member.

—High Point special Feb. 23: To read an advertisement in a New York paper an expert tailor was wanted at High Point, to answer the same and accept the job at $25 per week and finally to arrive here and meet his would-be employer face to face and find out that he was of African descent, was too much for a Norwegian, by birth, who came here yesterday. The tailor called upon The Enterprise and told of his troubles and especially of his disappointment and humiliation. He was as mad as a full-blooded Irishman when insulted, repeating that what a fool he was not to think about asking if the advertiser was white or black, but as there are very few negro tailors the gentleman from New York said that any one would naturally suppose that the advertiser was white and that the firm here should have been more explicit. But all's well that ends well, and the gentleman from New York got a good job after all.

Luckiest Man in Arkansas.

"I'm the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley, of Bruno, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs; and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure comsumption if taken in time. My wife improved with first bottle and twelve bottles completed the cure." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At all druggists. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free.

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has recently been discovered. It bears a close resemblance to the malaria germ. To free the system from disease germs, the most effective remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Guaranteed to cure all diseases due to malaria poison and constipation. 25c. at Druggists. **

Frightfully Burned.

Chas. W. Moore, a machinist, of Ford City, Pa., had his hand frightfully burned in an electric furnace. He applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve with the usual result: "a quick and perfect cure." Greatest healer on earth for Burns, Wounds, Sores, Eczema and Piles. 25c. at Druggists. **

The Same Old Grooves

[Original.]

The Langdous were a great publishing house. Stephen Langdon had survived all his brothers, who were his partners, and was in receipt of the whole income arising from the business. His son Montgomery was a disappointment to him. Montgomery took prizes while in college in literary contests, and it was predicted that he would be a second Hawthorne, for he had a delicate, dreamy, weird touch. When Montgomery came back home after graduating and his father told him to go down into the packing room and begin a thorough learning of the business, the young man winced. He wanted to write, not publish. His father told him he was a fool. Montgomery decided to follow the business for gain and literature for pleasure.

The young literary-publisher had scarcely been through the various departments when his father died, and the son found himself sole owner of the business. He called one of the oldest and most trusted employees, Mr. Watson, into his office and turned over to him the management. The ownership he kept for himself. Then he went to work on a novel he had long had in mind.

It soon got out that Montgomery Langdon, eschewing business for the love of art, had turned author, and he was besieged with applications from publishers for the right to bring out his book. Montgomery preferred that another house than his own should publish his work. He made a contract with one of them, the publisher agreeing to spend a large amount in advertising. The book was a great success. Several hundred thousand copies were sold, and Montgomery Langdon was regarded a unique literary success, a publisher who published through a rival house. Stories about the forecast of his success while in college, his reported contempt for the business of which he was owner, were profusely mingled in all the literary chitchat.

The new star was run down with orders for anything he would write from a thousand to three hundred thousand words. Of course he was pleased, but was somewhat staggered by an editor of a magazine who sent him a check for $5,000 and a short story. He was to put his name to the story and keep the check. He returned both.

Since Langdon wrote for pleasure only he decided to take a rest abroad before doing other work, or, rather, to gather material among new scenes. He ventured on deck one stormy day just in time to meet a "sea" that had been shipped and was washed overboard. All sorts of floats were thrown to him, but to stop an ocean liner and turn it about or back is a time taking job. Langdon was not discovered on the surface of the deep, and after some time spent in the futile search the steamer went on.

One morning a man with an Italian accent appeared at the Langdons' publishing house and left the manuscript of a novel for inspection. In two weeks to a day it was returned to him. He went to the publishing house and asked to see the "reader's" report on his work. He was informed that this was contrary to custom, but he begged so hard that his request was complied with. The report was as follows:

This is devoid of any literary merit whatever. It would make a splendid play, but as a novel it would be a complete failure.

The Italian gentleman submitted his novel to other firms and secured a look at several readers' reports. They read as follows:

The demand just now being for dramatic novels, and this being without any dramatic features whatever I would decline it.

The scene is laid in Florence, but the author has probably never been there himself. I have read enough of that famous city to feel that I was born there and don't hesitate to say that the author has got places very much mixed. His pictures of high life in Italy are absurd. No literary merit. Decline.

The Italian author ceased to worry publishers with his worthless production, but the day after his withdrawal Montgomery Langdon walked into the Langdons' publishing house, went into his private office, opened his desk and rang for his manager, who, entering, started back as if he had seen a ghost.

"Mr. Watson," said the publisher, "I have come to life, you see; picked up by a sailing vessel; went to Italy, where I married the Princess de Marini; spent my time dawdling at court and writing a novel of Italian high life."

The employee congratulated his employer, was delighted at his return and ended his flattering address by asking if the firm would not this time reap the benefit of his literary success.

A bright fire was burning in the cozy private office. The publisher took a package done up in wrapping paper from his desk and committed it to the flames.

"There's my publisher," he said. "I've made up my mind that there's no union between art and business. They stand distinctly separate. In rare instances they may lap, but this is from chance, not design. I have tried both, and I infinitely prefer business. Mr. Watson, can you suggest any other system of examining manuscript than by 'readers'?"

"I cannot."

"Nor can I. We must proceed by the prevailing method or not at all. We will make no change. That will do, thank you. Hereafter I will manage this business myself."

"To what do you attribute the failure of 'readers'?"

"Many men of many minds."

"I see."

The door closed, and the business of the Langdons rolled on in the same grooves it had rolled in for half a century.

F. A. MITCHEL.

Misleading.

Bizzer—Dr. Kure tells me he is writing a treatise called "On the Links." I never knew he was a golf enthusiast.

Buzzer—He isn't. "On the Links" has to do with sausages as a diet.—Ohio State Journal.

The Next Morning.

"I'm so tired this morning," said the first moth.

"Up late last night?" asked the second.

"Yes," replied the first. "I was at a camphor ball."—Philadelphia Record.

Another Route.

Angry Father—Look here, young man, didn't I tell you never to enter my gate again?

Young Man—Yes, sir, and I respected your wishes. I climbed over the fence.—New York Journal.

Just as a Matter of Looks.

"What ever induced you to call your daughter Daphne, Mr. Oldham?"

"Well, I dunno, except that she always kind of looked as Daphne as anything else to me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Department Store

is something that is appreciated throughout the country.

We have been working in this city for seventeen years and have used every endeavor to make our department store a success and we feel that we have not failed.

Our store to-day covers 32,000 feet of floor room which is equivalent to nine good sized stores 25 feet wide and 125 feet deep.

We carry an immense stock of goods and each department is a store within itself. It pays to come to our store to buy little things as well as large things.

We are receiving new goods every day. We always keep our stock up to the season and we always try to have on hand whatever our customers want.

Our goods are bought by us from first hand, from the factories throughout the United States. Each and every article from its home manufacturer and all goods placed on our counters for sale are absolutely at the right price.

To look through our store and see the goods which we have marked out, you will readily preceive that our prices are right, and the stock is sufficient to supply your wants.

Our Millinery Department is carried on our second floor.

In this department we do an extensive wholesale business where we sell them by the dozen to the bestd sell them by the dozen to the best merchants in the State and we absolutely guarantee the prices to be cheaper than they can buy them from Northern cities.

We gladly submit samples and pay freight both ways if good are not satisfactory.

We have received immense quantities of new goods for our Millinery Department. From one large factory in New York we received in one shipment 98 cases of Ladies' Untrimmed Hats, and from another factory, we received 38 cases and still from another factory, we received in made Hats 150 dozen. Also hundreds of dozers of Flowers, Ribbons, Chiffons and Mulls in proportion.

We have just received a beautiful line of Ladies' Ready-toWear Hats for the early Spring trade, that we are showing for $1.00, $1.48, $1.98 and up to $3.50 each. These are beautiful goods and Ladies' who may want an early Spring Hat will be well pleased with this selection.

Our Dress Goods Department has not been slighted in the least.

We placed our orders early and have a most splendid selection of patterns in Mohair Suitings, Light Weight Cravenettes, Satin Prunillas in all the new stylish shades, Checked Flannels, the newest thing out, and thousands of yards of Dress Ginghams and Chambries at 6c., 8c., 10c., 12½c., and 15c. a yard.

Our silk department is very strong. We have some beautiful new goods to show.

A splendid line of 40-inch White Lawns at 10c., a nice line of long cloths, Linen Finish Madras, a splendid line of white goods.

We also carry a nice line of bleaching and domestic goods bought at old prices and which we are selling much cheaper than to-day's market.

We put on sale to-day, 2,500 yards of fine Swiss Embroidery with Insertions to match. They are the very prettiest goods for Babies' Clothes, for White Dresses and White Waists and for fine Underwear, goods that the ladies appreciate. They range in prices from 8c. to 35c. a yard. Also a nice line of All-Over Embroidery and Laces from 25c. to $1.25 a yard. There are some astonishing values in Val Laces from 3c. to 10c. a yard and thousands of other pretty things to show that our space will not allow us to tell of.

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If new and pretty goods and quantities of them from every department will help to get your trade, we want it.

We do business strictly for cash, we sell goods as cheap if not cheaper than any one, and we punch cards and give presents for all purchases at our Big Store on Front Street.

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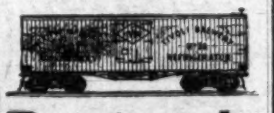

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To The Beach.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE
In Effect, Jan. 23, 1906.
(Daily.)

Leave Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville
6.00 A. M.	6.30 A. M.
	Leave Beach.
7.00 A. M.	8.15 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	10.45 A. M.
11.30 A. M.	12.15 P. M.
1.30 P. M.	2.15 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	3.45 P. M.
5.00 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 P. M.	9.15 P. M.
Saturdays—Extra Cars.	
4.30 p. m.	5.45 p. m.
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Beginning Tuesday the 3:00 o'clock suburban car will leave the Beach on its return trip at 5:15 P. M., instead of at 4:45 P. M., thus giving one-half hour longer to enjoy the ocean breeze

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

Sunday Morning, Feb. 25.

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Wilmington, N. C., under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

JOHANN HOCH'S BODY REFUSED BURIAL

Cemetery Authorities Draw Line on Murderers—Anarchists Who Were Hanged Are Enough.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—The body of Johann Hoch lay today in the county morgue at Dunning, Ill., while the undertaker who had agreed to inter the corpse, at his own expense and the two clergymen who were on the scaffold yesterday when Hoch was hanged, vainly tried to find a burial place.

After repeated efforts to secure a final resting place for the body of Hoch in the city cemeteries, the two clergymen finally despaired, and the body was interred in the potter's field adjoining the county poor farm at Dunning.

The authorities of Waldheim cemetery refused to allow Hoch to be buried there, as did the officials of Forest Home cemetery, and those of St. Lucas cemetery, after the cemetery was asked by telephone to permit the burial of Hoch, but all of them refused saying that the owners of cemetery lots objected to the interment of those who had been hanged. It was not expected that objection would be offered at Walheim, as in that cemetery, Spies, Parsons, Engel and Fischer, the executed anarchists, are buried, but the officers of the Waldheim cemetery declared that the burial of the anarchists had brought such unpleasant notoriety to their cemetery that under no circumstances would they ever again give burial to one who had been hanged.

SHOT AND BODY WAS BURNED.

Horrible Fate of Negro Near Shreveport Yesterday.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Shreveport, La., Feb. 24.—A mob of five hundred men shot to death Wiltz Page, a negro, aged 30 years, and afterwards burned the body near the town of Bienville, in Bienville parish, this afternoon. The negro was captured during last night, suspected of being the one who attempted a criminal assault on Sarah Grant, a 11-year-old school girl yesterday. Page was identified by the girl and when a deputy sheriff started to jail with him a mob overpowered the officers and took the negro. He was taken to the scene of the crime, where he made a full confession. The mob then stood him up against a tree and shot him to death, riddling his body with bullets. More than 500 shots were fired.

After the shooting a fire was kindled around the body of the negro and the mob remained until it had been cremated.

A military company ordered by Governor Blanchard from Homer, La., reached the scene of the lynching but when they arrived the mob had dispersed and quiet restored.

SWIFT JUSTICE FOR BRUTE.

Negro Who Murdered School Girl Convicted—To Hang Wednesday.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Shreveport, La., Feb. 24.—Charles Coleman, the negro charged with having assaulted and murdered Miss Margaret Lear, was convicted in the district court here to-day after a trial lasting three hours. Governor Blanchard who attended the trial signed the death sentence. Next Tuesday between the hours of 9 A. M. and 3 P. M. was fixed as the time for execution.

A jury was secured within a comparatively short time this morning. The evidence introduced was conclusive and a verdict was rendered three minutes after the case was given to the jury, and Judge Bell, who presided, immediately passed the death sentence on the negro.

Four military companies were on guard about the court house during the trial and all persons who attended were searched as they approached the building. There was no demonstration and while feeling is still intense, it is believed that the law will be allowed to take its course. The militia will remain until after the execution.

WIFE MURDERER SURRENDERS.

Man at Albany Says He Wanted it All Over With.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 24.—John Cross Hammond walked into police headquarters this afternoon, disclosed his identity to the officers in charge and two hours later confessed to District-Attorney Addington, and Chief of Police Hyatt, that he had murdered his wife, Elizabeth Wilbur-Cramp Hammond, on November 12th, and had placed her body in a trunk in their home on South Ferry street, where partly decomposed, it was found by the police two weeks later. Since the discovery of the crime and Hammond's subsequent flight, circulars containing a description of him have been scattered throughout the country, but in his confession, Hammond says he has been in Albany since early Friday night. Hammond said to the police:

"You have been after me for the past four months. I am Hammond, and I want to give myself up and have the matter all over with."

He was placed under arrest.

BREATHITT COUNTY FEUDISTS.

Indictments for Murder Against Judge Hargis and Others.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Jackson, Ky., Feb. 24.—The Breathitt county grand jury returned indictments to-day against County Judge James Hargis, Edward Callahan, B. F. French, John Smith and John Abner, charging murder and accesory to the same, in the death of James B. Marcum here two years ago. State Senator Alex. Hargis was exonerated by the jury. Judge Hargis and Callahan are named as the principals and Smith and Abner as accessories before the fact. Marcum was killed in the feudal troubles. He was shot down in the court house door.

MR. AND MRS. LONGWORTH LEFT

Steamer Broke Down and Prevented New Orleans Trip.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 24.—The Southern Pacific Company was advised by cable to-day that the Prince Arthur, their New Orleans - Havana steamer, had broken her shaft on the way to Havana. It was reported yesterday that Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth had engaged passage on the Prince Arthur, to leave Havana today for New Orleans. The steamer continued the journey without propeller. She is now at Havana and will probably have to be docked, necessitating the cancellation of all reservations for early sailings.

CAPITOL AGOG OVER TILLMAN

General Topic is His Selection to Report Hepburn Railroad Rate Bill

NO CHANCE FOR MEASURE

Republicans Will Insist on Amendment Providing for Judicial Review—More Than Thirty Senators for Right of Apepal.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Yesterday's developments in connection with the railroad rate problem in the Senate Committee on Inter-State Commerce continued to be the uppermost topic about the capitol today. There were comparatively few Senators in their committee rooms, but those who were here were busily engaged in discussing the situation. Among the most active were Senators Aldrich, Dolliver, Clapp and Elkins, all members of the Inter-State Commerce Committee. Senator Tillman, to whom was so unexpectedly assigned the duty to report the bill, was detained at his home by illness, but his colleagues were in frequent communication with him over the telephone. He told them that he had a slight cold but felt no doubt that he would be able to appear in his seat in the Senate on Monday when he would report the bill as directed by the committee.

The unexpected assignment of Mr. Tillman to this duty received as much attention as the sudden determination to report the bill. Members of the committee were full of reminiscences, of the meeting, and not the least interesting of these was the story of the details of Mr. Tillman's selection. His name was proposed, as has been stated, by Senator Aldrich, but he was not mentioned in that connection until after considerable discussion of the advisability of selecting some one else for the service. The first intention was to confer the honor upon Senator Cullom as the oldest member of the committee, but when he cast his fortunes with the advocates of the straight Hepburn-Dolliver bill, the majority of the Republicans manifested an inclination to drop him, and Senator Elkins, the chairman of the committee, was suggested. Senator Clapp then made the point that a supporter of the bill should be chosen to report it to the Senate and take charge of it. Then Senator Aldrich, representing the five Republican opponents of the measure, immediately fell in with this suggestion and said that he thought that Mr. Tillman should be assigned the duty as the senior Democratic member of the committee. Mr. Clapp nominated Senator Dolliver. As has been stated, Senator Tillman was chosen. Speaking today of Mr. Tillman's selection, Senator Aldrich expressed great satisfaction, saying that under the circumstances it was the wisest and best that could be made.

Already there is much discussion on the subject of amendments and it was made evident today that the scene of activity in behalf of a modification in favor of a court review provision had been transferred from the committee room to the floor of the Senate. It is the belief that with such an amendment the bill will secure practicaly all of the Republican votes and the claim was made that a majority of the Republican Senators would stand out for such a change. The Republican members of the committee who refused to vote for the bill in its present shape, say that there are over thirty who will stand with them to the finish. Senator Bailey on the Democratic Senators also have expressed a willingness to accept such a provision.

Commenting on the bill today, Senator Tillman said:

"The first thing to do is to discover and incorporate in the bill the amendments necessary to perfect it. There was no opportunity in the House of Representatives to amend the bill, and there are two very essential amendments needed to make the law at all adequate. One is the strongest possible prohibition of the ownership and control by public carriers of the articles to be shipped over their lines, to the exclusion of private owners —in other words, the railroads have a tendency to deal in some of the commodities that it was supposed they would only handle in the capacity of carriers. This applies principally to the coal business. They also should be required to make connections with spur lines or contributory lines and supply them with cars and not block them."

"The question of adding to the provision now in the bill for a judicial review of the findings of the Inter-State Commerce Comission should be approached very cautiously. In the first place, a decision of the commission has the same standing as an act of Congress. No court would undertake to nullify an act of Congress pending, an appeal unless it should take a high handed course. I can see no reason why a decision of the commission should be set aside pending an appeal in the courts. For one, I am not inclined to accord to the members of the Inter-State Commerce Commission any less patriotism or good judgment than is accorded the Judges on the bench."

When asked if his relation toward the bill would probably lead to frequent conferences with the President, the Senator meditated a moment, and replied:

"The President's views are well understood. He has expressed himself very fully in his message and in interviews. The newspapers have not spared any opportunity to announce what they suppose has been his views on this subject. Therefore, there is no further need for anybody to get his views as he has been very free to communicate his views to Congress whenever he has seen fit to do so.

"Do you take the view that this railroad legislation is a Democratic measure, now that it has been reported by a majority of Democrats on the committee and by a Democratic Senator?

"It is a non-partisan measure," replied Senator Tillman. "It is neither Republican nor Democratic, but it can no longer be called a Republican measure."

Senator Aldrich will on Monday make a statement on the floor of the Senate outlining his attitude toward railroad rate legislation. He announced both to Senators and newspaper men today that people who suposed he was opposed to egislation were very much mistaken.

Senators Dolliver and Clapp were the supjects of congratuations, and both expressed great satisfaction over the result of the committee's deliberations. Mr. Dolliver manifested no chagrin over the selection of Mr. Tillman as the floor manager for the bill, but said that he would secure all the satisfaction possible if so meritous a measure could become a law. He was seen just after he had left the White House, where he had had a conference with the President, and he assured all those with whom he came in contact that the President was quite as delighted over the prospect as himself.

Senator Elkins, one of the Republican members of the Committee who did not vote for the bill, expressed the opinion that the bill would pass.

It is not thought that the bill will be taken up for continued consideration for two or three weeks, as the Senators who desire to participate in its discussion, find it necessary to take time to prepare for the duty.

SWINDLING SCHEME WAS TOO EXTRAVAGANT

Captain Carter and Greene and Gaynor Tried to Rope Brunswick Man Into $2,718,000 Game.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 24.—The hearing today in the Greene and Gaynor case was one of the most interesting since the trial commenced.

C. P. Goodyear, of Brunswick, was called when court convened. He said that he was the chairman of a board appointed by the mayor and council and board of trade of Brunswick to procure deeper water in 1891 by the use of dynamite in the Brunswick harbor.

He said that the idea was to blow the bottom up with dynamite and let the channel wash the material away. He said that an act of Congress in the nature of a contract between him and the government became necessary and was passed. The act was read, the United States agreeing to pay him $10,000 for each foot deepened.

A survey was under Captain Carter, Captain Rees being in actual charge. When the survey was finished he and W. E. Kay, of Brunswick, came to Savannah to see Carter about it. He told of taking up the work, and said that upon its conclusion measurements were made under superintendent Carter's direction. Goodyear, then in 1891, came to Savannah to ascertain results. He said that Carter told him that he had failed to secure the required depths and that payment could not be made. According to the witness, Carter then made a proposition to him, saying that he and a firm of contractors had a plan to secure an appropriation of $2,718,000 from Congress for deepening the Brunswick harbor. This Carter did not doubt their ability to put through, but they desired the cooperation of Goodyear who would influence the people of Brunswick and obtain their aid in the project.

Goodyear was not to be ignored when it should come to a division of spoils. Carter, he said, told him that $750,000, the estimated profits would be divided, one-third going to Goodyear, one-third to the contractors and the remaining third to some one Carter did not designate. Goodyear said he told him he would like to hear from the contractors before abandoning his claim, whereupon Carter pressed a button and John F. Gaynor appeared in response.

The proposition was laid before Gaynor, who, the witness said, demurred only to one part of Carter's suggestion, which was that Goodyear should be immediately reimbursed for his expenditures upon his dynamite work to have his expense defrayed while he was in Washington lobbying for the passage of the necessary bill. This project was gone into, to the extent of Goodyear's sounding the then Congressman from the Brunswick district who thought no such appropriation could be secured. The matter was dropped and Goodyear tried to collect on his dynamite work. He said he was confident he had removed three million cubic yards of material from the harbor bed, but Carter reported 218,260 cubic yards removed and the witness said this was in order that Carter might discredit the work done by Goodyear and enchance the chances for getting through his and Greene and Gaynor's twin jetty project.

COLLEGE HORROR IN OHIO

Three Lives Lost and Many Injured in Disastrous Fire—Jumped From Fourth Story.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Gambier, Ohio, Feb. 24.—Three are dead and nine seriously injured and several others more or less hurt as a result of a fire which destroyed Milner Hall, Kenyon Military Academy, Delano and North halls, and the North Annex early today. The fire broke out at 4 A. M., while the students and college authorities were asleep, and quickly spread through the building named, which were consumed. The search for the missing boys, the bodies of whom it is now certain are in the ruins, was kept up till late this afternoon, when the walls of the burned structures fell and their recovery tonight is now regarded as improbable for sometime. The search during the day was impeded by the fact that the ruins were still red hot and made passage through them nearly impossible.

The falling walls this afternoon barely missed Dr. Pierce, president of Kenyon, and Regents Wiant and Williams who were leading a party of rescuers through the ruins. The dead and injured are all students of the military academy and Old Kenyon.

Parents, sisters and brothers of the dead and injured students arrive on every train. The news of the fire spread quickly all over the State and telegrams were sent at once by the college authorities to parents of the boys injured. The messages were not made alarming, but even while mildly stating the case it aroused grave apprehension, and the anxious fathers and mothers have rushed to aid their loved ones.

The property loss by the destruction of the buildings is estimated at $100,000, with sixty per cent. insurance. Several were terribly injured by jumping from the third and fifth stories. Harry C. Barnes, of Cleveland, O., was one of the last to leave the Delano hall, and jumped from the fourth story window into a blanket. The blanket gave way and he was precipitated onto the pavement sustaining injuries of the back. One leg was broken. He will die.

Eighty-five boys were in the dormitory when the fire broke out. An effort was made to effect the military formation but the younger students forgot their military training and rushed about the burning building in a panic, shrieking and crying for help.

STRANGE CONFESSION OF WOMAN

Mrs. Dupree Declares She Cut Her Own Throat.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 24.—Mrs. Nina May Dupree, the young woman whose throat was cut at the home of a well known citizen just outside of Atlanta some weeks since, has confessed that she inflicted the injury upon herself. She was found unconscious in the home where she had worked on the return of the family from the city. She declared later that she had been attacked by a negro who had cut her throat. Posses were organized and a search of the vicinity was made, but no trace was found of the alleged assailant. Mr. Dupree went to the home of her mother in Alabama and a letter from the mother to the lady for whom Mrs. Dupree worked here brought the information of the confession.

MOB ATTCKED W. K. VANDERBILT

American Multi-Millionaire Had Serious Adventure With Crowd of Italians

AUTOMOBILE RAN OVER BOY

People Kicked and Cuffed Mr. Vanderbilt and Disarmed Him When He Drew Pistol to Defend His Chaffeur.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Florence, Italy, Feb. 24.—The incident at Pontedera yesterday, which involved the detention there of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and their chaffeur, turns out to have been much more serious than at first reported. The dispatches received yesterday evening from Pontedera simply announced that Mr. Vanderbilt was detained there owing to an automobile accident by which a boy was injured but not seriously. It now appears that Mr. Vanderbilt and his chaffeur were mobbed and that both Mr. Vanderbilt and the chaffeur were arrested and taken to the police station.

Though the boy was not seriously hurt, his face was covered with blood. The automobile, which was stopped as soon as its occupants noticed that an accident had occurred was soon surrounded by a crowd of excited people who indignantly and threateningly berated its occupants. In the midst of the excitement the report spread that the child was dead and the townspeople became so enraged that they attacked the chaffeur. In fact matters reached a very critical stage and Mr. Vanderbilt believing that the lives of the party were in danger drew a revolver. Before he could use the weapon however, several men jumped into the automobile, disarmed Mr. Vanderbilt and kicked and cuffed him.

By this time the police had become aware that something unusual was happening and a party of gendarmes hurried to the scene to protect the automobilists. Owing to the fury of the people the officers took the Vanderbilt party into a neighboring shop for safety. There they were immediately besieged by the crowd, the most violent of the people urging their companions to take summary vengeance upon the travelers.

As a coincidence, the shop into which the Vanderbilts were taken was owned by a relative of the injured boy which did not tend to calm the feelings of the mob. Eventually an officer of gendarmes with reinforcements arrived on the scene and after the townspeople had somewhat calmed down, succeeded in rescuing the automobilists, who were taken to the police station followed by a crowd of shouting people. Mr. Vanderbilt and the chaffeur were detained at the police station, under arrest and Mrs. Vanderbilt, who was shown every attention possible, was escorted to the best hotel in Pontedera.

This morning doctors visited Adolfo Butini, the injured boy, in order to ascertain his condition. Grave complications, it was announced, may arise. Through the American consular authorities, Mr. Vanderbilt has secured a lawyer who has applied for his client's provisional release which is always granted in similar cases, but which can be refuse when the offender is a foreigner, or when it is suspected that he may flee from justice. If the child does not die or is not permanently disabled, the punishment may be imprisonment for three months and a fine of $200, in addition to a fine for carrying a revolver without permission, but it is believed that considering the extenuating circumstances Mr. Vanderbilt may be sentenced to pay a fine.

The father of the injured child when asked if he wished to bring suit against Mr. Vanderbilt not only refused to do so but also declined to accept the indemnity due him under the law. Thereupon the judge granted Mr. Vanderbilt provisional liberty, and, accompanied by Mrs. Vanderbit, he left for Pisa. Before departing Mr. Vanderbilt gave $400 to the local hospital.

MANCHESTER CLOTH MARKET.

Condition of Trade During Wek Just Ended.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Manchester, Eng., Feb. 24.—Satisfactory business and steady prices prevailed in the cloth market this week though the decline in cotton induced some buyers to hold out for lower quotations. Manufacturers on the other hand adopted a firm attitude. India orders, while not so large as recently, were still of fair dimensions. China took small quantities of light fancy cloths besides inquiring for grey shirtings and other goods. The Mediterannean and South American business was rather small, and Egyptian orders shrank, owing to the large stocks. Yarns experienced the average turnover. The best qualities of American crops continued firm with spinners pressed for delivery, but the coarse grades moved slowly at one-eighth decline. Shipping yarns were quieter, owing to the China demand being satisfied for the present.

ITALIAN GIRL'S AWFUL REVENGE

Killed Her Uncle and Wounded His Wife.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Josephine Terranova, a 17-year-old Italian girl, confessed to-day that she killed her uncle, Gaetano Riggio, and attempted to kill his wife, and declared that she was justified in doing so. When arrested she told the police that her uncle had taken advantage of her innocence when she was a child, with his wife's knowledge, and had so mistreated her that on the day of her wedding two months ago, her young husband left her. Suffering from the jeers of her friends, she said she put on all her wedding finery, went to her uncle's room, and after firing two shots from a revolver at him, and missing, fatally stabbed him, and wounded her aunt. She escaped arrest until today, when she was found by the police a few hours after her uncle died at a hospital. She had been riding about in the street cars since Thursday night, almost without food or sleep).

YOUNG LADY KILLED.

Exceedingly Distressing Accident at Hendersonville, N. C., Yesterday.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 24.—Miss Elizabeth Robertson, the 13-year-old daughter of J. Caldwell Robertson, a prominent citizen of this place, was killed at Hendersonville, N. C., yesterday afternoon being crushed beneath a heavy stone which fell from the top of a gate post, catching her beneath it while she was swinging on the gate. The little girl was at the mountain home of her father, where the most of her life has been spent for the past several years. Her body will be brought to Columbia for interment.

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The Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.:

I want to thank you all for the kind treatment I received while at the Keeley Institute at Greensboro, N. C. I will soon be sixty years old, and had been a whiskey drinker for forty years, and for the last ten years a very heavy drinker. I have always been a man that thought a great deal of his credit, but I got to the point where I felt it was getting shaky, and I was ashamed to meet my creditors and friends. I was in a terrible fix, and I tried every way to quit drinking, but I could not do so. I saw death staring me in the face.

I was always opposed to going to Keeley, but at last I made up my mind to go, and I went to Greensboro eighteen months ago, and I am proud of the fact that I went. I am a new man and a better man with more energy than I ever had before. I owe it all to the Keeley Cure, and the kind Doctor and good attendants at the Keeley Institute.

A. A. MOODY.

Waynesville, N. C., Nov. 14, 1904.

Send names and addresses of those who may be benefitted to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.,

SUNDAY THEATRICAL DIVERSION

Proposition to Attend Church in Morning, Theatre in Evening.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—In an address before the Actors' Church alliance at its annual meeting yesterday, Miss Sarah Truax, leading woman in a theatrical company appearing in Chicago, advocated the curtailment of Sunday religious services in church to morning services only. As a substitute for evening services she proposed that church-goers attend a theatrical performance.

"There are many persons who can attend the theatre only on Sunday," she said, "what shall they do? The ministers expect them to come to come to church, but the church cannot offer to them the diversion to which they are entitled after a hard week of work. Therefore, let the people go to the church in the morning and to the theatre at night."

WARM WIRELETS.

Reland W. Browne, charged with the murder of Congressman Pinckney, at Hempstead, Texas, a year ago, was yesterday acquitted by the jury after an hour's deliberation.

Thirty-two people were injured, three fatally, yesterday evening in two separate street car wrecks on the Milvale and Etna division of the Pittsburg Railway Company, Pittsburg, Pa.

The German Federal Council yesterday approved the Reichstag's action in passing the bill providing for the extension of the new German tariff to the United States until June 30, 1907, and sent the measure to the Emperor for his signature.

Belle Meade, well known as a farm devoted to the breeding of thoroughbred horses, is to become a residence suburb of Nashville. Plans have been completed to cut the farm up into town lots. Belle Meade recently came into the possession of several officials of the Illinois Central railroad.

At Moncton, N. B., last night a serious fire in the shops of the Inter-Colonial railroad, the paint shop containing the private car of Earl Grey, governor general of Canada, and fifteen passenger coaches were destroyed together with the contents. One hundred cars and valuable machinery were destroyed.

A tornedo struck the northwestern section of Hattiesburg, Miss., yesterday. The home of Mrs. M. E. Dearmond was demolished and Mrs. Dearmond and her son badly injured. Fences and houses over a considerable area were demolished. Trees were pulled up by the roots and twisted into splinters. Many telegraph and telephone poles were broken.

Active preparations continue at Manila for a possible emergency in China. Major General Leonard Wood has postponed his contemplated trip to Mindanao. A list has been circulated among the packers and teamsters of the city requesting the names of those who are willing to enlist for service in China. The necessary outfits will be issued to them.

In a two hours session the House of Representatives yesterday passed 416 private pension bills besides a number of minor measures by unanimous consent. An effort was made to secure the passage of the bill making the records of the internal revenue bureau available for court evidence against violators of the prohibition and local option liquor laws, but as the proceeding was by unanimous consent a single objection blocked the measure.

In the Virginia Legislature yesterday, Hon. Cam. Patterson, of Buckingham, offered bill for the benefit of Confederate veterans who are dependent on the State for support. It imposes a stamp tax of one cent on all checks drawn in the State for amounts of $50 and over, the entire proceeds for which source are to go to the support of Confederate pensioners who shall have reached the age of 65 years.

County Teachers in Session.

A well attended meeting of the New Hanover County Teachers' Association was held yesterday morning. School management was the theme for discussion and a profitable interchange of ideas was had. Special addresses which were much enjoyed were made by Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the University of North Carolina who came down to spend Sunday with relatives in the city, and Mr. W. M. Cumming, an enthusiastic friend of education in this city. A committee composed of Miss E. J. Williams, Miss Massenberg and Miss Mary Shine were appointed to push the effort for a vocal music teacher in the schools for the next term.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

The Young People's Society of St. Matthew's English Lutheran church entertained the congregation at the parsonage on the evening of Washington's Birthday in a delightful way. The programme for the evening was "America Up-to-Date." Each member of the Society impersonated some famous American of to-day. The parsonage was elaborately decorated in the national colors and dainty refreshments were served. Pastor Kegley spoke briefly on the subject 'St. Mathew's Up-to-Date," telling something of the repair being made to prepare the church for dedication. Pews and carpets are ordered and the chiurch is being painted.

Repairs to Bonitz House.

On account of extensive repairs to the Bonitz Hotel, the dining room and kitchen of that hostelry will be closed for 30 days, beginning to-morrow. Rooms and lodging, however, may be secured there as usual.

To-day—cars to the Beach every half-hour in the afternoon. **

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Transactions Which Appear From Deeds Filed Yesterday.

Zillah Fowler to Furney J. Godding, for $400, property where east side of a lot owned by the party of the first part intersects the southern line, at its western end of a lot owned by the party of the second part, on Red Cross street, 66x48 feet in size.

Stephen Washington and wife to William Cobbs and wife, deed for division of property on east side of Fifth street, 231 feet south of Harnett street, 33x165 feet in size.

Back From Mother's Funeral.

Mr. E. H. Dement returned last night from Currie, N. C., whither he was summoned on account of the death of his venerable mother, Mrs. A. E. Dement, aged 82 years, whose death occurred at the family home at 7 o'clock Thursday night. Mrs. Dement was a consecrated Christian woman, having been a member of Long Creek church since girlhood. She leaves to mourn their loss four children: Mr. E. H. Dement, of this city; Mr. C. F. Dement, of Abbeville; Mrs. Katie Alderman and Mrs. F. C. Porter, of Currie, N. C.; also one brother, Mr. R. M. Croom, of Burgaw, and Mrs. T. L. Hardison, of Onslow. The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon and the remains were laid to rest in the family burying ground.

Hundreds to the Beach.

The pleasant afternoons of the past few days have invited a very heavy travel to the beach. Extra cars put on to handle the increased traffic have been crowded and hundreds have spent pleasant hours inhaling the fresh ozone from Old Ocean. To-day the Consolidated Company will operate special cars during rush hours and the largest travel yet is expected.

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